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## The Morning Star.

### OUTLINES.

The New York Cotton Exchange will be closed Saturday, 24th, and Monday, 26th inst. —— Calvin S. Brice died yesterday afternoon at his home, New York city. —— Urgent deficiency appropriation bill passed the Senate. —— The savings banks of Savannah, Ga., have reduced the rate of interest to three per cent. per annum; they have more money than they can place at profitable figures. —— President McKinley made two speeches at Atlanta yesterday; in the day at the auditorium to an audience of 7,000 people and at night at the banquet; he was heartily applauded. —— The suggestion of the President looking to the care of the Confederate cemeteries by the Federal government was the subject of much comment among senators and representatives in Washington. —— Gen. Young criticised the volunteer regiments in the affair at Santiago in his speech at the peace jubilee banquet. —— The President and party left Atlanta at 1.30 this morning for Tuskegee, Ala. —— A private of Company I, Third N. C. regiment (negroes) shot and killed a fellow soldier, on dress parade at Macon, Ga.; he fled but was captured. —— New York markets: Money on call steadier at 2½@3 per cent., the last loan being at 2½ per cent.; cotton steady; middling uplands 5 13-16c; flour was moderately active and held 5@10c higher; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 red 77½c; corn—spot firm, No 2 41½c; rosin steady; spirits urpentine firm.

**Forecast for To day.**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Threatening weather, probably followed by showers in the afternoon; warmer; light variable winds becoming north easterly.

**Port Almanac---Dec. 16.**

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| Sun Rises | 7.04 A. M. |
| Sun Sets | 4.47 P. M. |
| Day's Length | 9 H. 43 M. |
| High Water at Southport | 10.11 P. M. |
| High Water, Wilmington | 12.41 P. M. |

A corset trust is the latest. Of course it expects to squeeze the people who get into corsets.

Kitchner has Lordreceived more than 100 eulogistic poems since he captured Omdurman, but he is not compelled to read them.

A company has been organized in an Indiana town to run opposition to the glass Trust in making plate glass. They want to be bought off.

A Chicago man has been sued by a gas company for reducing his gas. It wasn't Senator Mason. He never reduces his but keeps up a continuous flow.

The sympathetic young man who was prevented from marrying his divorced step-mother, because the clerk refused to grant him license, on account of the relationship, will probably take it into his head to elope.

The Spaniards are angry because the Chaplain of the Senate prayed for them the other day. Not long ago a New York man asked for a divorce from his wife because she persisted in praying for him, and he wasn't a Spaniard.

One New York paper puts the damage done by the bursting of a water main in Brooklyn at $20,000, another at $1,000,000, from which it may be inferred that some New York papers take more stock in water than others do.

The great elopist's friend, Squire Keigwein, of Jeffersonville, Ind., has recently died, at the age of sixty-seven years. He was a great marryist, his record during the past twenty-one years, being 12,000 couples spliced, nearly all elopists.

New Zealand has a pension system which prevents the overcrowding of the poor-houses. It gives a pension of a shilling a day to all needy persons who reach the age of fifty-five years, provided they have led correct lives and have not been addicted to crime of vicious habits.

The opinion of experts will not always do to bank on. One of the richest gold mines in the State of Washington consists of quartz that the discoverer says not one miner in a million would have given a copper a ton for, and that's about the value he put on it himself till he tried it and became the owner of the mine which has made him immensely wealthy.

On his way to Washington Hon. T. B. Reed, of Maine, listened to two men who were engaged in an animated discussion of the Philippine question, both agreeing that it was the duty of this Government to carry civilization and liberty to the benighted denizens of that quarter of the globe. Tom stood it as long as he could when he blurted out, "There are in this country people who seem to think we can furnish canned freedom for all the heathen." Tom thinks we can't, and if we could that we shouldn't undertake the job.

A Texas planter who has been experimenting in growing Egyptian cotton is now ready to ship his first crop to Boston, where he expects to get fourteen cents a pound for it. He says as much per acre can be produced as of the common varieties of cotton grown, while the price is more than twice as much.

A New Jersey man who was charmed by a snake-charmer and married her, now wants a divorce because she insists on taking the snakes to bed with her, and they bite him. He thinks the snakes have entirely too many privileges there for a well regulated family.

Chester, Pa., burglars are very considerate fellows. Instead of disturbing the police when they looted a house they only left a note urging them to "wake up."

John Smith is missing from New York. The last we heard of him he was in Chicago.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A. D. Brown—Christmas gifts.
I. B. Rhodes—One of our loo-loos.
Mechanics' Home Asso'n—Subscribe

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Palace Bakery—Figs.
Palace Bakery—Nuts.
Palace Bakery—Candy.
Palace Bakery—Bananas.
Palace Bakery—Florida oranges.
Wanted—Young man with capital.

### PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. J. D. Mallard, of Wallace, was here yesterday.

— Mr. P. R. Mason, of Gibson, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. A. L. Hanley, of Burlington, is in the city on business.

— Mr. Garland Jones, of Raleigh, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

— Dr. W. K. Bagby, of the United States army, arrived in the city last night. He is on a furlough and is just from Joseph Simpkins hospital at Fort Monroe, where he has been confined with fever contracted at Porto Rico.

— Miss Carolisa Pennington, of Tarboro, and Miss Stella Fountain, of Rocky Mount, who have been the guests of relatives in the city since the Hinton-Pennington wedding, left yesterday for their respective homes, much to the regret of their many friends.

— Mrs. David Worth and Miss Worth, the latter of the Wilmington High School faculty, have gone to Lake Worth, Fla., where they will remain until the new year. During Miss Worth's absence her department at the High School is in charge of Miss Stephens, of Goldsboro.

**One of Jim Young's Soldiers.**

Wm. H. Lane, a member of the Third Regiment of N. C. volunteers, colored, who is at home on a furlough was landed in the guard house late yesterday afternoon by patrolman T. H. Gilliken for being drunk and disorderly, corner Water and Princess streets. He refused to move on when ordered to do so by the policeman and grew very impudent and insulting. When forbearance could avail nothing, the officer promptly locked him up. Lane was once driver of the old Phoenix Horse Reel Co., and is a well known negro here. He will be tried by the Mayor this morning.

**The Committee at Work.**

The committee appointed by the Chamber of Commerce recently to prosecute the matter of accomplishing the election of Frank McNeill, Esq., as a member of the Railroad Commission to be elected by the incoming General Assembly, have just issued circular announcements of the recent action of Wilmington's commercial bodies in endorsing Mr. McNeill for the position. Yesterday copies were mailed to all the senators and representatives. The committee having the work in charge are Mr. Wm. E. Worth, Mr. Wm. Gilchrist and Mr. M. W. Jacobi.

**The City's Offenders.**

Only two cases required the attention of Mayor Waddell yesterday morning. John Hill, colored, for fighting, was given ten days on the streets or $5 fine. He took the days. Ben Dixon, colored, was drunk and driving too fast Thursday night on Front street and down the Purcell alley. Officer Simmons arrested him yesterday morning and the Mayor fined him $2.65 and costs, which he paid and was released.

**An Accident.**

Mr. Harry A. Burr, Jr., yard master of the Wilmington Iron Works, is confined to his room, as the result of a very painful accident which befell him a few days ago. While engaged in the yard at the iron works an iron hook fell from the bell tower and struck him on the head, inflicting an ugly gash. The wound was quite painful, and was so serious that it became necessary for him to submit to a surgical operation.

**To City Subscribers.**

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the STAR office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases steps will be taken to insure prompt and regular delivery.

## LADIES' RECEPTION.

### A Brilliant Social Function Tendered By Cape Fear Club Yesterday.

### COMPLIMENTARY TO HEROES.

**Lieut. Blue Will Pay His Mother a Flying Visit and Return Sunday—Sandoval and Alvarado Will Leave For Norfolk Monday.**

The *Sandoval* and *Alvorado*, the ex-Spanish gunboats, under command of Lieutenants Edwin A. Anderson and Victor Blue will remain in this port until Monday morning. Orders to this effect were received here yesterday afternoon from the Secretary of the Navy. The telegram stated that additional time is allowed in acquiescence to the request of Mayor Waddell, President H. H. Smallbones of the Produce Exchange, and President Jas. H. Chadbourn, Jr., of the Chamber of Commerce.

The announcement of this prolonged stay of Lieutenant Anderson and Lieutenant Blue in the city is received with especial gladness by Wilmingtonians, who have so cordially and creditably welcomed them here and are entering so heartily into their entertainment.

**Lieutenant Blue's Plans.**

The visitors are still the guests of relatives in the city, Lieutenant Anderson being the guest of his sister, Mrs. T. H. McKoy, and Lieutenant Blue the guest of his kinsman, Mr. E. Lilly. Yesterday Miss Blue, sister of the young hero, arrived here from her home in Marion, S. C., and is also a guest of Mr. Lilly.

To-day at 3.45 P. M., Lieutenant Blue will leave the city with his sister for Marion, where he goes to spend a few hours with his mother, who resides there. He will return to the city on the 12.20 train Sunday.

**Cape Fear Club Reception.**

The most notable feature of entertainment accorded the visitors yesterday was the ladies' reception, from 4 to 6 P. M., tendered by the Cape Fear Club. This was in every way a fitting sequel to the brilliant functions prepared by the entertainment committee. The club spared no pains or expense in perfecting every feature of the event. The club apartments were beautifully decorated under the direction of a special committee composed of Mr. H. M. Emerson, Mr. R. N. Sweet, and Mr. M. W. Divine. In fact the entire arrangement of the function was delegated to these gentlemen. And that their duty was admirably performed is the attest of every one of the hundreds of ladies who shared the pleasures of the event.

A conspicuous feature of the decorations was the arrangement, in advantageous nooks, of the various Spanish-American war trophies presented Wednesday night to the Wilmington Division Naval Reserves. Then, too, there were national flags drooped over doors and archways. There were palms and ferns in profusion and a tasteful trimming of smilax in every apartment.

During the reception Mr. H. M. Emerson, President of the Club, received the ladies in the front hall and extended them a cordial welcome. As they arrived they were ushered into the drawing-room, where the callers were introduced to the guests and their assistant receivers, all of whom were military officers, each of them attired in full dress uniforms.

The receiving party, in the order of their positions during the reception, was as follows:

Col. Walker Tayor, First Regiment North Carolina State Guards.

Lieutenant Victor Blue, United States Navy, commanding the gunboat *Alvarado*.

Dr. C. P. Wertenbaker, United States Marine Hospital service.

Lieutenant Edwin A. Anderson, United States Navy, commanding the gunboat *Sandoval*.

Commander George L. Morton, North Carolina Naval Reserves and President National Naval Reserves Association.

Captain T. C. James, Wilmington Light Infantry.

Ensign F. B. Harrowood, United States Navy; second commanding officer of the *Sandoval*.

Cadet J. A. Hand, United States Navy; second commanding officer of the *Alvarado*.

Adjutant W. N. Harriss, First Regiment North Carolina State Guard.

Lieutenant C. S. Grainger, Wilmington Light Infantry.

It is estimated that more than 200 ladies of the city called and were introduced to the visiting heroes, and shared the delightful hospitality of the Cape Fear clubmen. The guests were ushered into the dining apartments after their introduction to the guests of honor, where a luncheon was served. The menu and service were in keeping with the thorough elegance and appropriateness of other features of the function. Liveried servants were at the beck and call of the guests. An Italian string band was in attendance and discoursed excellent music during the entire evening.

It was really more than 6.30 P. M. before the last of the pleased lady callers left the club house. Carriages were provided during the entire afternoon by the club to convey the guests to their homes when they left the club house.

The reception will be long remembered as one of the most thoroughly elegant and delightful ever given in Wilmington.

**Inspecting the Gunboats.**

From 9 A. M. until far into the afternoon the *Sandoval* and *Alvarado* were thronged with curious and pleased visitors, who were given access to every part of the ships, and the members of the crews seemed to take especial pleasure in showing them every courtesy.

Souvenirs, consisting of cordings and other appropriate articles, were provided in abundance and given to every one who requested them.

**Alvarado's Anchorage Changed.**

Early yesterday forenoon the *Alvarado*, Lieutenant Blue's ship, left her anchorage in the channel above the custom house and steamed alongside the wharf of Mr. James Sprunt, just above the water front of his palatial residence, and will remain there until she leaves the port Monday morning. The *Sandoval* will remain at the government wharf.

## ONE OF THE OLD-TIMERS.

**L. G. Estes, One of Wilmington's Earliest Carpet-Baggers, Goes Into Bankruptcy.**

The extract below, from the Washington *Post*, recalls the days of carpet-baggery in Wilmington. Gen. Estes was long a resident here and was at one time Collector of Customs. From here he went to Halifax county, where he engaged in farming on a large scale. The *Post* says:

"Llewellyn G. Estes, a patent medicine manufacturer at 704 Fourteenth street northwest, yesterday filed a petition in voluntary bankruptcy. He declares that he owes debts and is unable to pay the same, and that he 'is willing to surrender all his estates and effects for the benefit of his creditors, but that he has no such estate and effects.' He desires to obtain the benefit of the recent bankruptcy act. The claims scheduled, and which are unsecured, aggregate about $74,000."

Among the creditors are T. B. Keogh, Greensboro, $5,000; Wm. Black & Co., Tarboro, $9,200; Jas. H. Chadbourn & Co. and others, Wilmington, $4,334.10. It may be doubted if there has been a day during the last twenty years when either of the North Carolina creditors would have refused five cents on the dollar in settlement of their claims.

## TO RECEIVE THE HORNET.

**Commander Morton and His Crew of Naval Reserves To Leave For Norfolk To-Night.**

Commander George L. Morton and his crew of seventeen Naval Reserves will, as previously announced in the STAR, leave on the 7:15 P. M., A. C. L. train to-day for Norfolk, where Commander Morton will to-morrow receipt to the United States Naval authorities for the cruiser *Hornet* which is to be stationed at this port for the use of the North Carolina Naval Reserves.

In a previous issue of the STAR the names of the reserves who will accompany Commander Morton, as appointed by Lieut. H. H. Ilhenny, were published. No positions are to be assigned to any of the crew until they go aboard the *Hornet* to-morrow to man her for the voyage from Norfolk to Wilmington. Commander Morton hopes to make the trip to Wilmington so as to arrive in port sometime Monday evening at latest.

## DEATH OF A GOOD LADY.

**Mrs. Louisa Harrell Passed Away Rather Suddenly Yesterday Morning.**

Early yesterday morning, Mrs. Louisa Harrell, relict of the late E. J. Harrell, died rather suddenly at the home of her brother, Mr. A. H. Morris, on Chesnut street, between Eighth and Ninth.

Mrs. Harrell was 75 years of age and had been in feeble health for some time, but her death was not expected so early as yesterday morning.

She was one of the oldest and most valued members of St. Andrews' Presbyterian Church, and up to the time of her death lived the life of a consecrated Christian lady. A brother, Mr. A. H. Morris, a well known and respected citizen of Wilmington, survives her and has the sympathy of many friends in his sad bereavement.

The funeral services will be conducted to morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock from the residence of Mr. Morris by Rev. A. D. McClure, and the interment will be made immediately after in Bellevue cemetery.

**First Ward Democrats.**

A meeting of the Democratic voters of the First Ward was held last night at Schnibben's Hall. There was a fair attendance.

Mr. Geo. T. Bland called the meeting to order, and Mr. Wm. E. Mayo was elected chairman, and Mr. L. O. Smith secretary.

The chairman stated the object of the meeting—to recommend and endorse a citizen of the ward to fill the vacancy on the Board of Aldermen caused by the resignation of Rev. J. W. Kramer. After discussion, Messrs. Reuben Grant, F. Maunder, W. McD. Evans and O. M. Fillyaw were nominated. A ballot was taken, and Mr. Grant received a majority of the votes cast, and was declared the choice of the ward for alderman.

Mr. Grant announced his willingness to accept the honor tendered and the chairman and secretary were, on motion, requested to notify the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the action of the meeting.

The meeting then adjourned.

## LOCAL DOTS.

— The ladies of Harmony Circle gave a delightful whist party in their apartments in the MacRae building last night.

— Things were remarkably quiet in magisterial circles yesterday. Not a criminal case engaged the attention of any of the justices.

—The steamer *Buckingham* cleared yesterday for Liverpool, with a cargo of 9,514 bales of cotton, from Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son.

— A railroad paper was recorded yesterday by the Register of Deeds which required internal revenue stamps to the amount of $4,048.

— The schooner *Mabel Darling*, Captain Ranger, arrived yesterday to Messrs. Geo. Harriss, Son & Co., from Nassau, with a cargo of oranges.

— Superintendent Perry had four of the city's prisoners yesterday employed in trimming up the shade trees in the southern section of the city.

— On the Wilmington market yesterday there were received 1,784 bales of cotton, against 2,005 bales received correspondingly last year. There was no change in the market.

— Rev. R. C. Beaman expects to leave with his family next Monday for his new field of labor at Elizabeth City, N. C. Their many friends here hate to give them up.

— Crude turpentine was quoted firm yesterday at $1.30 for hard, $2.30 for dip and $2.30 for virgin, an advance of 30 cents per barrel for virgin and for dip. The receipts yesterday were 84 barrels.

— There was a meeting of the North Carolina Sorosis yesterday afternoon in their rendezvous in the De Rosset building, corner of Third and Market streets. Several matters of importance to the Sorosis were discussed.

— The ladies of the Foreign Missionary Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church will give a candy social and accept a free-will offering at the home of Mr. A. C. Brenner, on the southwest corner of Second and Red Cross streets, this evening at 8 o'clock. There will be music by the best local talent.

— Rev. R. F. Bumpass, the new Presiding Elder of the Wilmington District, M. E. Church, South, is expected to arrive to-day in the city, and to preach Sunday morning at Fifth Street Church, and at Grace Church at night. For the present he will be the guest of Mr. W. E. Springer, on Second between Chesnut and Grace streets.

## THEIR ANNUAL FESTIVAL.

**The Ladies of St. Agnes' Guild Pleased With the Result of Yesterday's Event.**

St. James Parish house was visited yesterday from 4 to 10 P. M. by very many people, the occasion being the annual festival by the ladies of St. Agnes' Guild. The assembly room of the Parish house was prettily decorated, and a beautiful exhibit of needlework, comprising articles of exquisite pattern, was tastefully displayed on tables in front of the room, while in the rear tables were set for serving seasonable refreshments, and displaying numerous and temptingly dressed cakes.

There were in attendance the ladies of the Guild and a number of other ladies, by whom refreshments were served and the various articles sold.

The Guild is pleased with the revenue from the occasion, both from the sale of needlework and refreshments.

The Parish house will be open during to day and a committee of ladies will be there to continue the sale of needlework, there being a number of desirable articles still unsold. They also have a quantity of cake and other edibles, which will be on sale.

## LYCEUM AND STAR COURSES.

**Combined so That the Members of Both Will Have Access to All Attractions.**

An arrangement has been perfected for the merging of the Lyceum and Y. M. C. A. Star Courses so that members and subscribers of both will have the benefit of the attractions brought here by the two organizations.

There are to be six entertainments, three lectures by the Lyceum and three musical attractions by the Star Course. The plan is to charge $1.50 for the combined course tickets including all six events. If arrangements can be made in time it is expected that the first number of the course will be given on the evening of the 27th inst. This will be Rutlege College Glee Club. However, there is some doubt as to finally determining upon that date.

The other two attractions of the Star Course musical numbers are the Swedish Ladies' Quartette and the Original Old Homestead Quartette. Then the three lectures to be contributed to the Course by the Lyceum Association are to be announced later, together with the dates.

**Assignment of R. R. Love.**

The STAR regrets to announce that Mr. R. R. Love, a well known and popular merchant of this city, has been compelled to make an assignment. After reserving $500, the personal property exemption allowed by law, his creditors are divided into five classes. The liabilities amount to about $4,400 and the assets consist of stock of goods in the store occupied by Mr. Love on North Water street, and accounts, etc. Mr. Owen F. Love is the assignee.

## YARD CONDUCTOR INJURED.

**Capt. W. A. Weeks Caught Between Two Freight Cars and Seriously Mashed Yesterday Afternoon.**

Yesterday afternoon about 4.30 o'clock Mr. W. A. Weeks, yard conductor on the Atlantic Coast Line freight yard, was very seriously injured by being caught between two cars. He is severely mashed across the hips and Dr. Bullock, the attending physician, fears that serious internal injury has been sustained. It seems that conductor Weeks went with engine No. 101 in charge of engineer G. S. O'Brian, out to the curve about two miles from the freight depot, to get two box cars. Mr. Tom Barr, the switchman, was on the scene when the accident occurred.

Conductor Weeks coupled the cars to the engine himself and signaled the engineer to proceed. The train moved a short distance and was signaled to stop. As it did, two box cars standing on a sidetrack moved down the adjacent track and the forward one caught Capt. Weeks and mashed him against the rear car of his train.

The injured man was brought to the city and conveyed to his boarding place, the residence of Mrs. Norwood, on Red Cross street. He was met at the depot by Dr. Bullock, who accompanied him to the residence and accorded medical attention. So far as can be learned, no blame can be attached to any railroad employe or the Coast Line Company.

Capt. Weeks is an efficient and popular conductor, and he has the sincere sympathy of numerous friends in his unfortunate accident.

## GRAND AND TO THE POINT.

**That is What An Eye-Witness Pronounces The Exercises in Honor of Visiting Heroes Wednesday.**

Dr. James D. Nutt, who took such an active and effective part in beautifully decorating the Opera House for the trophy presentation ceremonies Wednesday night received the following interesting letter yesterday which he kindly consents for the STAR to publish, to wit:

*My Dear Friend:*—I was one of the fortunates who obtained a seat at the Opera House last evening to witness the reception you were about to give to your townsman and heroes of the late war, and in my estimation it was grand and to the point. But what made it above the average reception was, the speakers were all so modest, not courting flattery. Also, to see the British flag hanging alongside the American flag, and to hear the band play "God save the Queen," paid me with untold pleasure, the thought of which I shall not forget. Being a trader to your country for twenty years it is the first time for me to hear the above tune played in the United States. Therefore, I say it was a pleasure to be with an American audience. Yours in unity,

BRITISHER.

## HOLIDAY FOOT BALL.

**Teams of S. N. C. and W. H. S. to Try Conclusions Christmas Week.**

On Friday afternoon before New Year's day, a lively game of foot ball is promised the local cranks by the brawny young teams of the S. N. C. and the W. H. S. In the S. N. C. team the Wilmington High School will recognize their old and formidable adversaries, the "Chesnut Streeters," who are now organized under the name of S. N. C.

Hilton Park will be the scene of the conflict, and the hour will be half-past four in the afternoon. Popular prices will prevail at the gate, and a large crowd is expected. Ladies will be admitted free. The umpire, linesmen, time-keeper and referee have not been decided upon, but will be announced later.

The S. N. C.'s will line up as follows: Jewett (captain), full back; King, centre; Grant, left guard; McClure, right guard; Jordan, left tackle; Reilly, right tackle; Montgomery, left end; Genaust, right end; Yadkins, right half back; Green, quarter back, Dock, left half back.

**Spirits Turpentine Still Advancing.**

The local market for spirits turpentine continues quite active. Yesterday afternoon it closed at 38½@39 cents, or 1½ cents over the market for the previous day. A gentleman, who is thoroughly conversant with all matters pertaining to naval stores, informed a STAR reporter yesterday afternoon that spirits turpentine had not commanded so high a price in the past ten years. He attributed the continued rise in the product to its scarcity on the Southern markets. The receipts yesterday were 91 casks, and the corresponding day last year 30½@30¾ cents were the quotations.

**Wilmington's Cold Wave.**

Wilmington and vicinity have experienced an exceptionally cold wave the past three days, the season considered, the mercury having ranged down in the twenties several times.

At Mr. Sol. J. Jones' farm, east of Wilmington, at sunrise yesterday the thermometer registered 20 degrees. In the city about 3 A. M. the register showed 29 degrees.

During yesterday there was a marked moderation, and at 3 o'clock this morning the thermometer registered 37 degrees.

The weather forecast for to-day: "partly cloudy; rising temperature."

— The regular, *bona fide* circulation of THE MORNING STAR is much larger than that of any other daily newspaper published in Wilmington.

## RALEIGH'S NEWS BUDGET.

**Federal Court Still in Session—Board of Agriculture Want More Fertilizer Inspectors.**

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., December 15.

Judge Purnell has made permanent the temporary receivership and injunction, granted on plaintiff's petition, in the case of Colgrove vs. Alligator Lumber Co. Several thousand acres of timber land in Dare county are involved.

The committee from the Legislature which has been examining the State treasurer's and auditor's books, have found them correct.

The State Board of Agriculture is in session, but is doing nothing. They have practically decided to increase the number of fertilizer inspectors by six. There is also some discussion about building another house for the museum. The present space is deemed insufficient.

Federal court is still in session and will not adjourn until some time next week. The business has been disposed of very slowly, owing to the inability of the District Attorney to dispatch business. Boddie, ex-postmaster at Nashville, N. C., was sent to prison for one year and fined $200.

Among the convicts received at the State prison yesterday was a 16-year old boy from Winston. He set fire to a girl's clothes and she was burned to death. He got five years for manslaughter. It will be interesting to watch what will be done about a reformatory when the Assembly meets. A number think that using one farm for this class of convicts will be certainly the cheapest, and perhaps as good a method as any, to solve the problem.

Sixteen thousand marriage licenses were issued in North Carolina last year.

## SMITH'S ISLAND PROPERTY.

**Purchased by Dr. F. B. Ullery, of Chicago—His Purpose to Build a Sanatorium There.**

[*Southport Standard.*]

Our readers are more or less acquainted with the large land suit of the Government against the Walker heirs bringing in question the title to Smith's Island, that large and valuable island of about 4,000 acres at the mouth of Cape Fear river.

It will be remembered that Dr. F. B. Ullery, of Chicago, purchased this property from the Walker heirs several years ago, and that subsequent to this sale, the Government instituted suit for the same, which has been fought by the Walker heirs successfully.

The question of title was tried in the court, where it went in favor of the defendants. From this the Government appealed to a higher court, which in turn confirmed the decision of the lower court. The limit for appellate privilege has now expired, which leaves the Walker heirs successful and the property that of Dr. Ullery, who has taken considerable interest in the suit.

This property is considered very valuable. Even in its undeveloped and unimproved state it is listed at $15,000, and now that the question of title is settled it is probable that the owner will carry out his original purpose of building a sanatorium there, the location being so excellent and the climate so favorable for such an enterprise.

**Last of the Lot.**

Lish Richardson and Wm. Brock, both colored, who were placed in the city prison a few days after the late trouble here, in default of fines imposed for incendiary talk calculated to incite a riot, were, by their own request, given tickets yesterday and allowed to leave the town. Brock left on the 9.35 train yesterday morning for Kinston, N. C., and Richardson left on the afternoon train for Florence, S. C. They were arrested November 14th and tried by the Mayor on the 15th.

**DIED.**

HARRELL—Thursday morning, December 15th, Mrs. LOUISA F. HARRELL, relict of the late E. J. Harrell, aged 75 years.

Funeral to-day (Friday) at 3 o'clock P. M., from the residence of A. H. Morris, No. 813 Chesnut street; interment at Bellevue Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

DWELLING FOR RENT.

HOUSE on northeast corner Tenth and Princess streets, four rooms and kitchen. Everything in good order. Apply to
D. O'CONNOR,
Real Estate Agent.
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Mechanics' Home Association.
Seventeenth Series

Subscription List of Stock is now open. Payments on the above will commence on Saturday, 7th January, 1899.
That this stock pays the largest interest and is the surest plan of savings is so well known as to need no assurance on our part. For subscriptions apply to either
W. M. CUMMING, Secretary.
NATH'L JACOBI, President.
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ONE OF OUR LOO-LOOS

for your Christmas feast will give you a taste of something in the line of Turkeys that you will remember for many a day. A nice, fat and juicy Turkey has a flavor that you do not get with the skinny kind. We will have everything in the line of Meats, Poultry and Game this week, and during the holidays, in tempting array.
I. B. RHODES.
de 16 tf

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Johnson & Fore,
WILL OFFER THIS WEEK
Some Special Bargains in New Dress Goods.
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# The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 16.


## HOME PROBLEMS.

We have national problems, State problems, financial problems, social problems, industrial problems, some of which affect all the people, some of which affect only portions of the people and some of which affect the people of some sections more than they do those of other sections. In common with other sections of the country the South takes great interest in national questions, such as the finances, the tariff, the newly-sprung question of expansion, and others, but the great problem in which she is more immediately and directly interested is the problem of her industries, how to advance them and fully utilize her matchless resources. She is making progress and, under the circumstances, marvellous progress, in establishing manufacturing industries, notably in the manufacture of cotton and of iron, but in her great industry—agriculture—she has not made the progress her best wishers would like to see. This is not because the Southern farmer is lacking in intelligence or inferior to farmers of other sections, for taken as a whole the farmers of the South are the equals in intelligence if not superior to the farmers of the agricultural West taken as a whole.

The defects for which the Southern farmers as a class are criticised are not so much in the man as in the systems he inherited, from which it is not such an easy thing to break away. In this respect the West has the advantage of the South, for most of that is comparatively young, where the people struck out for themselves unincumbered by inherited systems. They have no ruts to get out of that they didn't make themselves. In a large portion of the South the planters inherited cotton culture and they stick to it not so much as a matter of choice as a matter of necessity under present conditions. It would not only be difficult but impossible for them to abandon that, for the conditions compel them to adhere to it and to get out of it by degrees and slowly if at all.

Cotton is called the "money crop," and it is the "money crop," even if there isn't any money in it, paradoxical as this may seem. It is the "money crop" because it is about the only crop that the planter can get money advanced upon to make it, so that it commands money before it is planted. When it is growing and reaching maturity he can get more money advanced on it, and thus the crop helps to produce itself. When harvested and ready for market if the planter doesn't want to sell at the ruling prices he can store it and draw money on it approximating the market value of the lint. It is not liable to damage by keeping, or to decay, or to freezing as other crops would be, and is therefore in many respects the most desirable and convenient crop to handle. Aside from the fact that it is the inherited crop, so to speak, these are some of the reasons why its culture is so generally adhered to and why the planters seem so reluctant to abandon it, or even to reduce the acreage.

We wrote yesterday on wheat culture, but there isn't, as far as we know, a wheat market in the South. The farmer who grows wheat to sell would either have to ship it away, or have it ground into flour at his nearest mill and then dispose of his flour to some local merchant.

It is so with other grain. There is no market for any of the grains in our Southern cities as they have in the West, where every town of any size has its grain markets and its local buyers who buy for shipment.

There is not in the South, as far as we know, but one market for hay, because until quite recently there was but little hay produced in the South, when most of the hay consumed was imported from the West. We believe, but are not quite sure of it, that there is a hay market now at Newnan, Georgia, in the neighborhood of which the production of hay has become considerable of an industry.

There is not, as far as we know, in the South a market for beef, pork or mutton, most of the beef raised for sale, not needed for local consumption, being shipped alive to other markets. And so with pork and mutton. There are no slaughtering establishments such as they have in Western cities, where the farmers can find ready purchasers for the stock they have to sell.

Of course all this has a discouraging effect on the farmers who would engage in diversified farming, for there is little inducement to plant crops which the planter will find difficulty in selling, and for which when he does offer for sale he will be compelled to take the local price, regardless of what the ruling prices may be in the great trade marts. In the cotton belt we have cotton markets in nearly all the towns of any importance, just as in the West they have grain and meat markets in nearly all the towns of any importance. So should we have in the South not only cotton and tobacco markets, but grain, hay and meat markets, and if we had it would give a powerful stimulus to diversified agriculture, which must come before we can have a really prosperous South.

Can th s be done? Why shouldn't it? Wouldn't it be a very easy matter for the merchants of any town to establish such markets and let it go out to the farmers that if they grew wheat, corn, oats, hay, or raised beef, pork, or mutton, that they could find purchasers who would pay them the ruling prices for these articles, just as the buyers in the Western towns do with the farmers there. The result of this would not only be to encourage diversified agriculture, and stock raising, which would add to the prosperity of the farmers, but it would add to the trade of the towns and to their prosperity.

The planters need encouragement in their efforts to break away from the "all cotton" system and adopt the better system of diversified farming, and the towns can help them in it, and in helping them, help themselves.

## A GRAND SPEECH.

The speech delivered by President McKinley before the Georgia Legislature, Wednesday, in which he paid such generous tribute to the Confederate soldier, does him credit as a President and as a man. This was not the first time that high tribute was paid by distinguished Northern men, both civil and military, to Southern valor, but it is the first time that a President of the United States has declared that the graves of the Confederate dead should be the pride and the care of the Republic.

There may be some who will attribute this magnanimous utterance partly, at least, to politics. Possibly this may have had some influence, but we have no doubt that he was thoroughly sincere in what he said, for there is very little rancor in McKinley's heart, although in the past he as a representative Republican has stood with his party in support of harsh and extreme legislation to be applied to the South. But since he has become President he has shown no sectionalism and no narrow-mindedness. The emergencies by which he has been confronted during the past year have thrown him into more direct contact with representative Southerners, and given him a better insight into Southern character. Leaning to a great extent on their co-operation and counsel, he learned to appreciate their loyalty and profit by their counsel.

The prompt responses to his call for troops from the leaders and masses of Southerners gave him an object lesson as to Southern patriotism and devotion to the Union that no previous President had the opportunity of studying. He has studied all this and attests the fact by this noble tribute to the valor of the dead and living Southern soldier, which does not honor them as much as it does him. Their valor was a matter of record with which the world is familiar, but this tribute coming from him makes it also a matter of record that he agrees with the world in its estimate of Southern heroism and patriotism. He wreathes the tribute when he declares that the grave of the Confederate soldier belongs not to the South alone but to the Republic.


### How to Look Good.

Good books are really more than skin deep, depending entirely on a healthy condition of all the vital organs. If the liver is inactive, you have a bilious look; if your stomach is disordered, you have a dyspeptic look; if your kidneys are affected, you have a pinched look. Secure good health and you will surely have good looks. "Electric Bitters" is a good Alterative and Tonic. Acts directly on the stomach, liver and kidneys, purifies the blood, cures pimples, blotches and boils, and gives a good complexion. Every bottle guaranteed. Sold at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store. 50 cents per bottle. †

Pains in the chest when a person has a cold indicate a tendency toward pneumonia. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on to the chest over the seat of pain will promptly relieve the pain and prevent the threatened attack of pneumonia. This same treatment will cure a lame back in a few hours. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †


## IT IS SIGNIFICANT.

Elsewhere we have referred to the speech delivered by President McKinley before the Georgia Legislature. It was not only a grand speech in as far as it paid such high tribute to the Confederate soldier, dead, and to the Confederate soldier, and sons and grandsons of Confederate soldiers, living and dead, but it was a significant speech.

The President's message was sent to Congress after the November elections. There was in the meantime much talk by Republican leaders about the alleged intimidation and disfranchisement of Republican voters in the South, to which they attributed the Republican defeats in North Carolina and in other States. There was also talk of drastic legislation to protect the voters, or to deprive of representation the States in which the franchise was reduced by restrictive legislation.

A force bill was even suggested by some and there was more or less speculation as the course President McKinley could pursue in the event a force bill were introduced in Congress and passed. There were differences of opinion as to whether he would favor such a measure, and those who thought he would cited the fact that while in Congress he advocated and voted for a force bill, which failed to pass.

When his message was issued, although a lengthy one, it was noticed that he made no reference whatever to the elections in the South, and no allusion to additional legislation to protect the franchise, which was doubtless a dissapointmemt to the extremists on both sides of the line, who looked for something on that line. Taking this silence and connecting it with these last utterances so broadly national and breathing such a kindly, fraternal spirit towards the South, it is significant and we think somewhat discouraging to the extremists who hoped for Presidential support in carrying out their schemes against the South.

## IN A NUTSHELL.

The New York *Journal* thus sums up in brief the results of the war with Spain:

"Spain had the satisfaction of blowing up the Maine and killing 266 American soldiers.

"It has cost her:

"Twenty-one warships.

"Two armies defeated and captured.

"Cuba, 41,655 square miles and 1,600,000 inhabitants.

"Porto Rico, 3,550 square miles and 800,000 inhabitants.

"The Philippines, 114,326 square miles and 8,000,000 inhabitants.

"The Sulu islands, 950 square miles and 75,000 inhabitants.

"Stray islands in other groups.

"A year ago Spain governed over 10,000,000 people, outside of her own limits; now she governs less than 900,000.

"Other powers with colonial empires which they would like to keep, please take notice.

This shows what Spain has lost by the war. It remains to be seen what this country has gained, in the event the policy of imperialism is to be carried out.

There is a good deal of bombast in the last paragraph, brief as it is, bombast inspired by triumph over a decayed and impotent nation, which showed incompetency bordering on insanity from the beginning to the end. Without the remotest intention of reflecting on American valor of which we are proud, as all Americans should be, we may remark that if we had some other power than Spain to deal with, some power with more sense and more ability in managing armies and navies, the record of achievements might have been quite different, and we might not now be gloating over the seizure of territory that it would have taken more powder, more fighting and more blood to capture. We may be thankful that we had such a foe as Spain to deal with.

## BOOK NOTICES.

*The Outlook* (weekly) of December 3rd is an exceedingly entertaining number, filled with short, interesting and instructive articles. Address The Outlook, 287 Fourth Avenue, New York.

The *Sanitarian* for December contains many interesting and valuable articles, in which the physician and reader of sanitary topics will be interested. Among them is a forcible paper on "National Quarantine."

The Christmas number of *The Overland Monthly* is a beautiful and entertaining number, filled with miscellaneous matter embracing much appropriate to the season. Published by the Overland Company, San Francisco, Cal.

The reader of political and economic topics will find *Gunter's Magazine* for December a valuable number, presenting an interesting list of contents. Published by The Gunter Company, Union Square, New York.

### Two Pointed Questions Answered.

What is the use of making a better article than your competitor if you can not get a better price for it?

Ans.—As there is no difference in the price the public will buy only the better, so that while our profits may be smaller on a single sale they will be much greater in the aggregate.

How can you get the public to know your make is the best?

If both articles are brought prominently before the public both are certain to be tried and the public will very quickly pass judgment on them and use only the better one.

This explains the large sale on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The people have been using it for years and have found that it can always be depended upon. They may occationally take up with some fashionable novelty put forth with exaggerated claims, but are certain to return to the one remedy that they know to be reliable, and for coughs, colds and croup there is nothing equal to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by R. R. BELLAMY, Druggist. †

## SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Fayetteville *Observer:* There was farmer in town this morning with a wagon load of turkeys, a number of which he had bought of a neighbor. When the first lot which he sold were weighed the old man's countenance was a study in amazement and grief. He had taken his neighbor's weights, which were attacked to each turkey's leg by a slip of paper as correct, whereas, the real weight showed a falling off in each turkey of two pounds.

—— Washington *Progress*: John Smith, a colored boy about twelve years of age had his head split open with an axe yesterday morning. It was done by his mother-in-law. The wound is a fearful one and it remains to be seen whether it is fatal or not. ——We are authorized by the President of the new Railroad to say it will be surely built. The starting point will either be Selma or Goldsboro and touching Snow Hill, and other points between there and Washington and out to Pantego and on the north side of the Lake to Douglass Bay, Hyde county. Contracts for ties have been given and the work will go rapidly forward.

— Goldsboro *Headlight*: We learn that about ninety magistrates in this country have failed to make their annual report on the first Monday in December. This failure on their part makes them liable to indictment —— Some unknown person entered the home of Mr. I. P. Price, Indian Springs township, Saturday, while the family were absent, and took from a little box on top of the bureau its contents of $20.02. The entrance was effected through the kitchen door which happened to be not fastened ——The unwelcome intelligence reached Pinkney Sunday evening that Mr. J. H. Mitchell had taken a piece of timber, walked into the field, and knocked Mr. Off Hicks senseless, while the latter was digging potatoes. He had not spoken at the time of this writing.——Mr. Henry Outlaw, aged about 21 years, son of Mr. Warren Outlaw, while cutting down rail timber near Mount Olive last Thursday, was struck by a falling tree. His neck was broken and his head badly mangled, death resulted instantly.

## CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Senator Hale figures out that our new possessions will cost us $200,000,000 a year, and statesmen will cheerfully vote that sum who would consider it a wicked waste to expend half as much on permanent improvements at home.—*Philadelphia Ledger, Ind.*

—— When we formally annex the Philippines, one of the first duties will be to equip a fleet for a voyage of discovery. There are so many of these little islands, that their location is not known and many of them have no names.—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

—— The esteemed and honorable Senate of the United States, which is composed of ninety excellent gentlemen when all of the seats are filled, is a liberal spender of public money upon itself. During the fiscal year which ended June 30 last the expenses of the Senate amounted to $1,200,786,62. The salary list of the Senate amounts, all told, to $489,200, hence the Senate expended approximately $800,000 upon itself for other purposes.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

—— Secretary Gage tells us that the "Republican popular loan" lost us five millions in bulk at the beginning. Nor does his report show that the national loss was the gain of the masses, for one thousand persons own the bonds for $77,360,000 of the original sum. Soon the whole loan will be in the hands of the men who offered $5,000,000 more for it than the Government got. So did yellow journalism fool the people, and so was a popular clamor raised against Cleveland's administration, that time has proved was without justification. — *Jacksonville Times-Union, and Citizen, Dem.*

## TWINKLINGS.

— As soon as a baby has learned to talk it becomes necessary to teach it to keep quiet.—*Puck.*

— "Some men," said Uncle Eben, "holler 'bout havin' los' dah reputation, when, as a matter o' fack, dey hes jes' foun' de kind dat b'longs to 'em."—*Washington Star.*

— "I saw you talking to Snuggs awhile ago." "Yes, we were discussing the financial question." "What position did Snuggs take?" "That of a borrower."—*Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph.*

— "I fell over the rail," said the sailor, "and the shark came along and grabbed me by the leg." "And what did you do?" "I let him have the leg. I never dispute with a shark."—*Tit-Bits.*

— A Matter of Horseflesh: First Ashman—"I've got $5, and now I'm going to buy me a horse." Second Ashman—"Tell you what, Bill; better wait till you get five more an' buy a good one."—*Truth.*

— "How does it happen, Jane," snapped the angry mistress, "that I saw you feeding that policeman pumpkin pie in the kitchin last evening?" "I furgot ter plug the keyhole mum."—*Detroit Free Press.*

— Mother (to little Martin, who has been put to bed for misdemeanors)—"What shall I say if callers come this afternoon and ask where my little boy is?" Martin—"Tell them you haven't any little boy."—*Truth.*

— "If Methusaleh had any property," said the Cornfed Philosopher, "what a lot of fun he must have had after he got to be about five or six hundred years old, and his younger relations began to be kind to him."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— "If you do not marry me I shall hang myself," exclaimed a lovelorn young man. "Well, if you do, please go a little way down the street," was the young lady's cheerful response, "for I heard papa say he did not want you hanging about here."—*Tit-Bits.*

— "Civilization is making remarkable advances," exclaimed the good natured man. "Yes," answered the friend in golf stockings, who had been reading the news from Europe. "The only trouble is that so many monarches are trying to be peace-makers they're liable to have a collision."—*Washington Star.*


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## PECULIAR MONSTERS.

### THE FIERCE, MAN EATING CROCODILES OF AUSTRALIA

**These Powerful and Cunning Brutes Grow to Twenty-seven Feet In Length and Will Tackle Anything From a Sheep to a Thousand Pound Bullock.**

The crocodile of the Nile differs very little from that of our own northern rivers, which is generally termed "alligator," though in reality a true crocodile. The head of a true alligator is broader and shorter than that of the crocodile. There is also considerable difference in the teeth and their disposition in the jaws. The teeth of the alligator are unequal, and the larger of the lower canine enters a cavity in the upper jaw, while that of a crocodile simply fits into a groove on the outside of the upper jaw, leaving the tooth clearly visible when the mouth of the monster is closed. There are also differences in the webbing of the toes and the form of the legs, though to the general observer there is little or no difference. Crocodiles seem equally at home in salt or fresh water, while alligators don't appear to relish and rarely visit salt waters.

The crocodiles no doubt feed largely upon fish, but as they grow older and stronger and require great quantities of food they will when hungry attack anything from a sheep or kangaroo to a bullock, a big crocodile making short work of a bullock weighing over half a ton. Some of these monsters measure as much as 27 feet in length and possess immense strength besides wonderful cunning and patience. It will lie in wait at any watering place frequented by animals, hardly distinguishable from a log of wood, so still and impassive it has become. The animal coming down to drink is suddenly seized in the crocodile's huge jaws and drawn into the water and drowned.

At other times the tail is used to sweep the animal into deep water, where, even though its prey may be a heavy bullock, it has little or no chance against its enemy, which is specially provided by nature with an arrangement that prevents the water rushing down its huge throat, even though its jaws are fully distended through holding its prey. Thus after a few brief seconds the unequal struggle is over, and the saurian takes the carcass in tow to some favored locality, where he can enjoy it at his leisure.

In the early days at Port Darwin, N. Z., bathing in the open sea was forbidden, owing to the danger from crocodiles, there and nearly everywhere else in Australia called alligators, though in reality no true alligators exist in Australia. A young trooper named Davis, a fine swimmer, disregarded the general order and one morning early went for a swim. Far out in the harbor he noticed what he and others took to be a floating log. Many of the northern trees float and are washed down in the wet season to the open sea. Out went the strong swimmer, nearer and nearer to the supposed log, until too late he recognized his mistake and that he was approaching instead of a log a huge and apparently listless crocodile.

But the knowledge came too late to be of any service to poor Davis, though some men called out to him from a small craft close by to "Go back!" "Go back!" and Davis did make an attempt to retreat and was swimming manfully shoreward when the huge brute flashed down upon him at a terrific speed, and, opening his great jaws to their utmost capacity, came down with a smack that was heard even to the shore, and inside their cruel grasp was Trooper Davis' head. Then, with the quickness common to the saurian, it had disappeared with its victim.

Every possible attempt was made to recover the body, but without success, though the harbor was soon alive with boats and the water thrashed around for a considerable time. Though this means failed, the body was soon afterward found lying on a rock, or rather a reef, some little distance from the scene of the accident. The lowering of the boats and the noise of the beaten water had no doubt caused the monster to let go his prey.

Crocodiles at nighttime low and bellow just like cattle, especially like bulls, and I have spent some nights in an open boat in Cambridge gulf, northwestern Australia, where the whole place seemed to be alive with them, and what with their splashes and cries, the weirdness of the whole scene and their close proximity as they at times rocked the boat, sleep was impossible, for there are several instances on record where crocodiles have taken or have attempted to take men from out of camps and boats.

A poor fellow named Reed, the mate or second mate of the Gulnan, had gone in his vessel to some river in Carpentaria gulf,—I believe the Roper. The vessel was at anchor near the mouth of the river. The mate, Reed, had been dispatched in charge of a watering party and was some distance up the river in a large open boat. Water had been obtained, and they were all ready for a return to the ship. All being made snug, the tired fellows turned in, having made their camp in the boat. The night was a very fine one, the moon shining brightly, when toward midnight the sleeping camp was aroused by some terrific shrieks. These were the cries of poor Reed, who, enveloped in his bedding and mosquito curtains, was being borne off by a crocodile.

It is said by those who knew him well and accompanied him on this and other previous trips that he had the habit of sleeping with his foot on the gunwale of the boat, and no doubt this afforded the crocodile an easier opportunity of seizing him. All night and a great part of next day were spent in searching for the missing man's body, but without success.

The crocodile has a remarkable eye. It can arrange the pupil to a vertical or horizontal position at will to suit its requirement by day or night. It has a special natural protection to the eye, and through a "duct" escapes the fluid when the "monster weeps." In fact, he is a peculiar brute altogether, with many special gifts besides his huge jaws that help to make of him the terror he is.—Sydney Mail.

### A Big Mistake.

A fool, a barber and a baldheaded man were traveling together. Losing their way, they were obliged to sleep in the open air, and to avert danger it was agreed to watch by turns.

The first lot fell on the barber, who for amusement shaved the poor fool's head while he was sleeping. He then woke him, and the fool, raising his hand to scratch his head, exclaimed: "Here's a pretty mistake. You have awakened the baldheaded man instead of me!"—Liverpool Mercury.

**Stockings were first used in the eleventh century. Before that cloth bandages were used on the feet.**

### Planked Whitefish and Shad.

Planking fish is, as a rule, confined to clubhouses, where large, open fires are accessible, but Mrs. S. T. Rorer, in The Ladies' Home Journal, tells how planked fish may be served to perfection in the smallest and most modest home in America. "The peculiar flavor imparted by the heating plank makes the fish more delicious than when cooked in any other way. If one has a gas stove, the method is quite simple, but the oven of a coal range may also be used with success. Secure a two inch plank the size of the oven, made from hard wood, oak or hickory. When ready to use, put it in the oven until it is so hot that you cannot bear your hand on it for an instant. Have the fish split down the back. Put it, skin down, on the hot plank. Dust with salt and pepper and baste with melted butter. In an ordinary coal stove, put it on the oven bottom, close the oven door and bake for 30 minutes, basting two or three times. When the fish is done, take it from the oven, garnish with parsley and lemon and send it to the table on the plank, placed on a Japanese lacquer tray just a little larger than the plank. Whitefish may be planked in the same way."

### Doing His Level Best.

"Do you think, Grimly, that you do what you should to brighten your home?"

"I've put in gas, electric lights and lamps. If there's anything else to make it brighter, I'm ready to invest."—Detroit Free Press.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL BOOKS.

**Titles and Teachings of Volumes Found In Sunday School Libraries.**

Edward W. Bok, in The Ladies' Home Journal, writes of the "wishy washy," pernicious literature which is placed in the hands of the young through the Sunday school libraries. He makes a plea for a reform of this evil and has some words of regret that standard novels are not generally included in the libraries of Sunday schools. He also gives the titles and teachings of a few of the books procured from Sunday school libraries.

"The first," he says, "was called 'The Assault; or, Bobby's Lesson.' Bobby struck a boy, who died from the effects of the blow! Imagine! Then Bobby became sorrowful, morose, finally went insane, was sent to a madhouse and died there at the age of 23. The story plainly points to the fact that Bobby went to hell. Another book which I read preached the cheerful gospel of idiocy. It was called 'Margaret; or, The Story of a Little Idiot Girl.' In it a little girl was born an idiot, and eight little girls were daily sent to her house so that they might hear her idiotic sayings and feel thankful for their blessings! 'Oscar's Sunday Flowers' told the story of a boy who picked flowers on Sunday, and that finally made him an unsuccessful man for life! 'Jim's Confession; or, A Boy Who Lied,' was the story of a lie. Poor little Jim told a lie to his mother one day, and that settled him. His tortures are pictured through 148 pages, until he at last repents. But men and women shun him, and he is always known as 'Jim the Liar.' 'The Two Schoolboys' portrays two boys—one good, the other bad. Both die. One goes to heaven and the other to hell! 'Little Ella' is a dressy girl. She puts on a bright red frock to wear to Sunday school one day against her mother's wishes, and her downfall as a woman is the result!"


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| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| BAGGING— | | | |
| 2 ℔ Jute | | 7 | 7¼ |
| Standard | | 7¼ | 7¾ |
| WESTERN SMOKED— | | | |
| Hams ℔ ℔ | | 12 | 13½ |
| Sides ℔ ℔ | | | 8 |
| Shoulders ℔ ℔ | | 6½ | 6½ |
| DRY SALTED— | | | |
| Sides ℔ ℔ | | 5½ | 5¾ |
| Shoulders ℔ ℔ | | 6 | 6¼ |
| BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine— | | | |
| Second-hand, each | | | 1 10 |
| New York, each | | | 1 20 |
| New City, each | | | 1 10 |
| BEESWAX ℔ ℔ | | | 22 |
| BRICKS— | | | |
| Wilmington ℔ M | | 5 00 | 7 00 |
| Northern | | 9 00 | 14 00 |
| BUTTER— | | | |
| North Carolina ℔ ℔ | | 15 | 18 |
| Northern | | 18 | 22 |
| CORN MEAL— | | | |
| Per bushel, in sacks | | 46 | 47 |
| Virginia Meal | | 47 | 50 |
| COTTON TIES—℔ bundle | | 80 | 87 |
| CANDLES—℔ ℔— | | | |
| Sperm | | 18 | 25 |
| Adamantine | | 8 | 11 |
| CHEESE—℔ ℔— | | | |
| Northern Factory | | 10½ | 11½ |
| Dairy Cream | | | 11 |
| State | | | 10½ |
| COFFEE—℔ ℔— | | | |
| Laguyra | | 12 | 16 |
| Rio | | 7½ | 9 |
| DOMESTICS— | | | |
| Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard | | | 5½ |
| Yarns ℔ bunch | | 18 | 20 |
| EGGS—℔ dozen | | 17 | 18 |
| FISH— | | | |
| Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel | | 22 00 | 30 00 |
| Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl. | | 11 00 | 15 00 |
| Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ barrel | | 16 00 | 18 00 |
| Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl | | 8 00 | 9 00 |
| Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel | | 13 00 | 14 00 |
| Mullets, ℔ barrel | | 4 00 | 4 35 |
| Mullets, ℔ pork barrel | | | 8 00 |
| N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg | | 3 00 | 3 25 |
| Dry Cod, ℔ ℔ | | 5 | 10 |
| " Extra | | 4 35 | 4 50 |
| FLOUR—℔ ℔— | | | |
| Low grade | | | 3 00 |
| Choice | | | 3 50 |
| Straight | | 3 75 | 4 00 |
| First Patent | | 4 50 | 5 00 |
| GLUE—℔ ℔ | | 7½ | 8½ |
| GRAIN—℔ bushel— | | | |
| Corn, from store, bgs—White | | | 50 |
| Car-load, in bgs—White | | | 46 |
| Oats, from store | | 40 | 45 |
| Oats, Rust Proof | | 40 | 45 |
| Cow Peas | | 20 | 75 |
| HIDES—℔ ℔— | | | |
| Green salted | | | 6½ |
| Dry flint | | | 10 |
| Dry salt | | | 9 |
| HAY ℔ 100 ℔s | | | |
| Clover Hay | | | 75 |
| Rice Straw | | 40 | 45 |
| Eastern | | | 75 |
| Western | | | 75 |
| North River | | | 75 |
| HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔ | | 1½ | 2 |
| LARD, ℔ ℔— | | | |
| Northern | | 5 | 7 |
| North Carolina | | 6 | 10½ |
| LIME, ℔ barrel | | 1 10 | 1 35 |
| LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft— | | | |
| Ship Stuff, resawed | | 18 00 | 20 00 |
| Rough edge Plank | | 13 00 | 16 00 |
| West India cargoes, according to quality | | 13 00 | 18 00 |
| Dressed Flooring, seasoned | | 18 00 | 22 00 |
| Scantling and Board, com'n | | 14 00 | 15 00 |
| MOLASSES ℔ gallon— | | | |
| Barbadoes, in hogshead | | | 25 |
| Barbadoes, in barrels | | | 28 |
| Porto Rico, in hogsheads | | | 27 |
| Porto Rico, in barrels | | | 28 |
| Sugar House, in hogsheads | | 12 | 14 |
| Sugar House, in barrels | | 14 | 15 |
| Syrup, in barrels | | 12 | 15 |
| NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis | | 1 60 | 1 65 |
| PORK, ℔ barrel— | | | |
| City Mess | | 10 50 | 11 00 |
| Rump | | 10 50 | 11 00 |
| Prime | | | 10 50 |
| ROPE, ℔ ℔ | | 10 | 22 |
| SALT, ℔ sack, Alum | | | 1 10 |
| Liverpool | | 73 | 80 |
| American | | 70 | 75 |
| On 120 ℔ Sacks | | | 47½ |
| SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M | | 5 00 | 6 50 |
| Common Cypress Saps | | 1 50 | 2 25 |
| | | 2 50 | 3 50 |
| SUGAR, ℔ ℔—standard Gran'd | | 5⅝ | 6 |
| Standard A | | 5¼ | 5¾ |
| White Extra C | | 5¼ | 5¾ |
| Extra C, Golden | | | 5 |
| C, Yellow | | | 4¾ |
| SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern | | 3½ | 4 |
| STAVES, ℔ M—W O. barrel | | 6 00 | 14 00 |
| R O. Hogshead | | | 10 00 |
| TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping | | | 9 00 |
| Mill, Prime | | | 7 00 |
| Mill, Fair | | | 6 50 |
| Common Mill | | 4 00 | 4 50 |
| Inferior to ordinary | | | 3 00 |
| SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed | | | |
| ℔ M 6x24 heart | | 7 50 | 8 50 |
| " Sap | | 5 00 | 6 00 |
| 6x24 Heart | | 4 50 | 5 00 |
| Sap | | 4 00 | 4 50 |
| 6x24 Heart | | 6 00 | 6 50 |
| " Sap | | 5 00 | 5 50 |
| TALLOW, ℔ ℔ | | | 6 |
| WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern | | 1 00 | 2 00 |
| North Carolina | | 1 00 | 2 00 |
| WOOL, per ℔—Unwashed | | 10 | 15 |

## MARINE DIRECTORY.

**List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 16, 1898**

### SCHOONERS.

Mabel Darling, 112 tons, Ranger, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Emma C Cottingham, Steelman, 478 tons, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

B J Hazard, 378 tons, Blatchford, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Chas D Hall, 375 tons, Lowe, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Fva A Danenhour, 317 tons, Miller, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Melissa Trask, French, 225 tons, Geo Harriss, Son Co.

Julia Elizabeth, Sweeting, 80 tons, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Sarah E Douglas, Higgs, 90 tons, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

D J Sawyer, Kelly, 327 tons, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

### STEAMSHIPS.

Assyrian, 1,841 tons, Frank, Hamburg.

Hindoustan (Br) 1,849 tons, Flowers, J H Sloan.

Karoon (Br) Freeman, 1,343 tons, Powers, Gibbs & Co.

### BARQUES.

Victor (Nor) 614 tons, Ostrik, A S Heide & Co.

### BRIGS.

M C Haskell, 299 tons, Wingfield, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

## COMMERCIAL.

### WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 15.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Market firm at 39 cents per gallon for machine-made casks and 38½ cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at 97½ cents per barrel for Strained and $1.02½ for Good Strained.

TAR.—Market firm at $1.10 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market firm at $1.30 per barrel for Hard, $2.30 for Dip, and $2.30 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 30¾@30¼c; rosin quiet at $1.15, $1.20; tar firm, $1 05; crude turpentine steady, $1.40, $1.90, $1.90.

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Spirits Turpentine | 91 |
| Rosin | 474 |
| Tar | 844 |
| Crude Turpentine | 84 |

Receipts same day last year.—88 casks spirits turpentine, 646 bbls rosin, 524 bbls tar, 14 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 5¼ cts per pound for middling. Quotations:

| | |
|---|---|
| Ordinary | 2 13-16 cts. ℔ lb |
| Good Ordinary | 4 3-16 " " |
| Low Middling | 4 13-16 " " |
| Middling | 5¼ " " |
| Good Middling | 5 9-16 " " |

Same day last year middling 5⅜c.

Receipts—1,784 bales; same day last year, 2,005.

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TIMBER—Market steady at $2.50 to 6.50 per M.

## FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 15.—Money on call steadier at 2½@3 per cent., the last loan being at 2½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3@4 per cent. Sterling exchange irregularr; actual business in bankers' bills 484½@484¾ for demand and at 481½@481¾ for sixty days. Posted rates were 482½ and 485½. Commercial bills 480¾. Silver certificates 59½@60½. Bar silver 59¼. Mexican dollars 47. Government bonds strong; U. S. new 3's 106½; U. S. new 4's, registered, 127½@128¾; do. coupon, 128½; U. S. 4's 111⅝@112½; do. coupon, 112¾@113½; do. 2's 99½; U. S. 5's, registered, 112½@113

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As music streams on the languid air
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In the golden mart of Vanity Fair.

There is a diamond fit to emboss
The shield of a Paris. There, too, lies
A song whose surges of passion toss
With such art as fops and gallants prize.
The slave of fashion struts here and buys,
Jostling or hustled by men of prayer,
With often a fool in critic's guise
In the golden mart of Vanity Fair.

An outcast one where you two roads cross
Ever a trade in spectacles plies
That whoso weareth sees pomp and dross
From the gilded stalls in vapor rise.
Fabrics, whose hue with the iris vies,
Change to the sables of grim despair,
And the ruby's flame ebbs low and dies
In the golden mart of Vanity Fair.

L'ENVOI.

Prince, enough is a word to the wise.
Let others flutter in frenzy there,
Folly may loiter, but honor flies,
In the golden mart of Vanity Fair.

—Pall Mall Gazette.

## TWO OF HEARTS.

Some of the critics said that "The Two of Hearts" was false in sentiment and others that it was unreal in its situations; a few disappointed dramatists called it unnatural in both. Harold Austin considered it lifelike in either respect, but he was the author and peculiar in his ways.

It was one of his whims to see the first performance from the stalls instead of from the author's box. "A mere impulse of the moment," the manager said, shrugging his broad shoulders. "Did I tell you how he decided upon it? No! Oh, he happened to follow me into the booking office one day, when the man was selling some stall tickets to two ladies. When they had gone, he said, 'By Jove, now I come to think of it, I'd rather see it from the stalls myself. Give me the next seat, Jones.' And Jones laughed and said I'll put you next to the young lady. She's going to sit in B7, she says, because 7's a lucky number.' 'All right,' Austin said, 'she has a nice voice!' Of course we hadn't seen them, as there was only a small ticket window. The next minute he seemed to have forgotten all about it, and we thought he wanted the ticket for a friend, but when the night came there he was in B6. Queer fellow, very—but most of these young authors are. Clever? Why, yes, or he could not have written the thing. You know what a run it had!"

It is probable, however, that the manager would not have attributed Harold's behavior purely to caprice if he had watched him on the first night. Possibly he might even have suspected that the real drama was being played in front of the curtains. As a matter of fact, he was fully occupied in addressing carpenters and scene shifters and callboys in language which, the singing chambermaid said, would make a stage complexion blush. So he retained his theory.

The unrehearsed play began during the overture, when the occupants of B7 and B8 walked slowly in—a comely middle aged lady and a short, dark girl of about 20, a pretty, piquant girl, whose appearance might have been described as saucily defiant but for the wistfulness of her big eyes and the plaintive drooping at the corners of her rosy mouth. Harold stood up to let them go by, his manners changing from formal politeness to an empressement which begged for recognition, as the daughter succeeded the mother, with a flush and a slight inclination of the head.

"Would you not rather sit this side, mother?" she whispered audibly.

"No, no, dear. Keep your lucky seat."

"I have changed my mind," said she. "I'm sure it's an unlucky one."

"It would be unlucky for other people if you sat on my deaf side," declared the elder lady, sinking into B8 with a good humored laugh.

The play proceeded by his picking up the programme which she had dropped—a dainty pink and white affair, decorated with a torn two of hearts.

"This is yours, I think?" He looked meaningly at the severed card.

"Thank you, I believe so." She tossed the programme carelessly into her lap and turned her back upon him. "It will be a foolish, sentimental play, I suppose," she remarked. "I don't know what possessed us to come to the first night before the papers have pronounced upon it."

"Your father said he heard it would be very good," demurred her mother. "I wonder who this 'H. A.' is?" She sat sideways again, and his look confirmed her expectations as to the authorship.

"I don't see what it matters," she replied indifferently. "After all, he is nothing to us." He crunched his programme viciously.

"Hush!" said her mother. The curtain drew up and disclosed a country lane such as he had described to the scene painter. "Why, it might almost be Fern lane, near your Aunt Bessie's, don't you think, Molly?"

"How absurd!" said Molly, biting her lips angrily. Surely he had never dared—

A pair of lovers entered from opposite sides and met in the middle of the stage, where play lovers always meet. The gentleman was shorter than he, and the lady was tall and fair, nothing like her. She sighed a sigh of mingled relief and disappointment.

They started in the usual stage manner, with a few remarks chosen so as to indicate the position of affairs. Then they sat down, side by side, on a rustic bench—she knew the bench—and a passionate love scene began. Here and there Molly started at phrases and promises which sounded familiar, and she flushed furiously at the last avowal and embrace. Once or twice she darted a look of scorn in his direction, but he was staring straight at the stage. He was looking very sad and careworn, she thought, and her face softened a little. The curtain went down with the play lass' head upon the play lover's shoulder, and the audience were generous with their applause.

"A very pretty scene," pronounced her mother approvingly. "So true to nature, don't you think?"

"How should I know, mother?" she answered, with a disdainful curl of the lips. "I shouldn't care for so bold a style of courting myself, but tastes differ."

The next scene was a light one between the usual Irish footman and pert housemaid. The spectators, who were evidently in a good humor so far, roared with laughter, but he and she studied their programmes with an air of boredom. The scene had no bearing apparently on the drama in the stalls.

Her eyes flashed again when the curtain drew up upon a merry card party just coming to a close. The guests took their leave, the host and hostess accompanying them out of the room, and the play lover and his lady were left alone. There had evidently been a quarrel, for they stood at opposite sides of the table and looked anywhere but at one another. He frowned moodily and stole a glance at her whenever her head was averted. She toyed restlessly with a pack of cards and scattered them here and there, keeping her eyes fixed upon the table. For several minutes the play proceeded in looks and shrugs of the shoulders, but at last he took a card from a pack on his side of the table and held it out to her so that all the audience could see it was the ace of hearts.

"Were you looking for this?" he asked.

"Oh, no," she replied. "It is yours, not mine."

"It is yours if you wish to have it."

"But I have one here—see."

"Are you sure it is quite your own?"

Her eyes dropped, and he just touched her hand with his. "Won't you change, Phyllis?" he asked tenderly.

She made no answer, but her face told her thoughts, for the play lady was a skillful actress.

"Won't you?" he pleaded again, edging round the table to her side.

"Two aces of hearts would be useless in one pack," she said, trying to ignore his later question. How the actress made them see the lovelight in her eyes! But he put his arm round her and drew her close to him. "Not if they belong together like these—and ours," he cried triumphantly, holding up the two of hearts in full view. Then there were explanations and lovemaking and promises, and he put the card in his pocket as a reminder of their renewed vows. So the first act ended.

"Now you see why it's called 'The Two of Hearts,'" said her mother. "Wasn't it worked in cleverly?" Molly whispered something. "Eh, dear? You must speak louder, or I can't hear."

"I think the situation is ridiculous," said she, tossing her head. "Why could not they make it up in a straightforward way without all that nonsense about the cards. What sensible people would jog through such a rigmarole?" She dropped her fan, and he and she stooped together to pick it up.

"We weren't sensible," he whispered.

"Thank you," said she sweetly aloud. "It was careless of me to drop it, but this stupid play is making me fidgety." He bowed without speaking, and she turned sharply to her mother.

The curtain went up again on a drawing room scene from which the lovers were absent, and the plot proceeded almost imperceptibly through a lot of light business to amuse the gallery. The funny man made love to the stout maiden lady and draped statues with his handkerchief and sat upon his hat, as funny men do. The pert housemaid was demure to their faces and made game behind their backs. The Irish footman told secrets to the wrong persons and fell over the footstool. Mrs. Tattleton talked scandal to his mother, and the villain blackened his character to her aunt. Then kind hearted old General Blunderboy, with his red face and irascible temper, came in and flew in a rage about nothing and mixed up his dates and facts so as to fill in the blanks in the conversation with wrong meanings. Thus the train was laid.

"Whatever is it leading to, Molly?" asked her mother. "I do hope it won't make trouble between them, poor dears!"

"Why should it?" Molly answered absently.

Yet it seemed partly to account for a trouble that happened to real people a year ago, about the time when the plaintive droop appeared at the corners of her pretty mouth. Her eyes caught his, which said as plainly as could be, "It did." She bit her lip and waited silently.

The next scene was at a garden party, and he and she were there. The conversation returned to the topics of the last scene. The play lady started, and the play lover glared as they listened. They entered into careless badinage, but you could see the anger and misery in their faces. The lover crushed a flower to pieces as he smiled and put his foot upon it. The lover in the stalls tore his programme nearly to pieces. The lady laughed and jested, but there were tears in her eyes. In truth, they were in Molly's eyes too. At last they said good day, with apparent friendliness, but as they pretended to shake hands they seemed to spurn one another away.

"It might be real," said her mother enthusiastically. "Don't you think the author must have copied it from an actual scene?"

"He would scarcely be so mean and unmanly," said Molly, her voice sounding clearly in the lull. "Besides, it doesn't strike me as real at all." Harold's eyes looked pleadingly at her, but she ignored him resolutely. "I will not let him see that I care," she thought. "He shouldn't have put it in a play. Oh, he shouldn't!"

In the next scene the play lover called to ask for an explanation instead of offering one, as the play lass expected. They were all at cross purposes, and the misunderstanding grew worse and worse. The ladies in the audience clasped and unclasped their hands, and the gentlemen sat still and silent. At last there was a passionate quarrel and parting. He took the card from his pocket and tore it in two, rending both the hearts. "I will keep this half as a warning never to trust a woman again," he said. "Go," she cried, stamping her small foot, "false and cowardly lover, go!" So he went, but at the door he turned with a last appeal. "If you care for me, Phyllis—if you ever cared for me"— "I do not care for you. I never cared for you," she replied, and he went out. Then she picked up the piece of the card which he had thrown down, and pressing it to her lips cast herself upon the sofa in a storm of weeping. "It has touched his dear hand," she sobbed, thrusting it into her bosom. "How could he know?" Molly almost cried aloud. Twice the curtain rang up in answer to the torrent of applause, while the ladies dried their eyes.

"It is so comforting to have a good cry," remarked her mother cheerfully, fanning herself. "I wish pater were here to get us some ices."

"Will you allow me to perform the small service, Miss Vane?" he asked promptly, and without waiting for her answer I rose and departed swiftly in search of them.

"Do you know him, Molly? Who is he?" demanded her mother, in a tone of surprise.

She bit her lip and flushed. "Oh, some one I met at Aunt Bessie's," she answered coldly. "Austin his name is. A journalist or something of the sort, I believe. I didn't like him much" (oh, Molly!) "But I couldn't well refuse to let him get the ices, could I?"

"He didn't give you much chance," said her mother, laughing. "I like a quick, resolute way like his. He has a very nice face, dear. Clever—and good."

Molly made no answer. But when he returned, her mother and he were soon in friendly conversation, in spite of her cool monosyllables.

The next scene found the lover confiding his sorrows to the villain, who, of course, took the opportunity to poison his mind further against her and make the breach wider. Later on poor Phyllis endeavored to conceal her grief from her aunt by affecting to dislike him, and the aunt increased her sorrow and anger by repeating the calumnies which she had heard from the villain. Then a year was supposed to elapse.

After this the lover appeared talking to good old General Blunderboy in the corner of a gorgeous club smoking room. The general, who was no fool, in spite of his irascibility, had more than half guessed the state of affairs and was putting his young friend upon the track of the truth. To his protests that much remained unexplained, he had only one answer, "She's a good girl, and I won't believe that she played you false," and finally he stamped off in a rage. "What are you to do?" he thundered. "What's the good of asking me? Go and tell her you believe in her, and take her in your arms, you young fool!"

But the play lover sat with his head in his hands until the Irish footman turned up as a waiter, and, in the fashion of stage servants, began to enter into confidences.

"Shure, an it's meself that was sorry to see that Mr. Siggers makin mischief between ye and Miss Phyllis, the purtiest and the best little lady that ever was," he said feelingly. "An there's somethin that I've been thinkin ye ought to know." Then with a few words he let daylight into the business, and the play lover rushed off for his hat, leaving him standing with his eyes open. "Shure, he'll go straight off and make it up with her if he's any sense," he soliloquized, "the next purtiest lass to Mary that ever was." Then he finished the hero's untasted whisky in the manner of stage waiters—and real ones.

In the last scene he found her—as he always finds her on the stage. She greeted him with assumed indifference, but her reserve melted suddenly when he told her the truth. She sank in a chair with her face to the audience, as stage lasses do, and he put his arm round her in the most approved fashion of play lovers.

"Phyllis, dear," he cried, holding up his half of the card for every one to see, "I have kept it, but I found that it would recall no ill thought of you." Then she blushingly produced her half, and they joined them together.

The gods in the gallery shouted and stamped, the boxes, stalls and balconies clapped and waved handkerchiefs, and all cried, "Author, author!" His hand found hers without any one noticing it in the excitement, and if any one had noticed they would scarcely have detected that he gave her a torn piece of a playing card. Then he stood up smiling and bowed all round amid thunders of applause, while pretty Molly forgot her dignity and laughed and nodded at him and clapped till her dainty kid gloves were spoiled.

"To think of his being the author," said her mother as they drove home, "and your knowing him. I wonder if it was founded on fact?"

"Yes, I think so," answered Molly, hiding her face in the shadow.

"Do you know the lady, dear?"

"I know the lady of all but the last scene," she said faintly. "I—oh, mother!"

"You—oh, Molly! And—the last scene—my dear?" Her mother touched her gently on the arm.

"He is calling tomorrow," she answered softly. Her hand closed in her pocket on the two halves of a torn card.

—J. A. Flynn in Madame.


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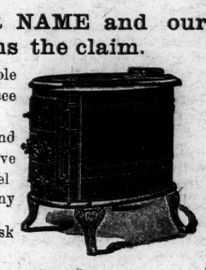

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*STEP BY STEP YOU GO A LONG WAY.*

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## Statement of ATLANTIC NATIONAL BANK, Wilmington, N. C.

At the close of Business Dec. 1st, 1898. Condensed from Report to Comptroller.

| RESOURCES. | | LIABILITIES. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Loans | $639,383 50 | Capital | $125,000 00 |
| Overdrafts secured by collateral | 10,480 88 | Surplus | 70,000 00 |
| Overdrafts unsecured | 277 33 | Undivided profits | 19,554 01 |
| U. S. Bonds (at par) | 95,000 00 | Circulation | 40,950 00 |
| Banking House and Fixtures | 10,000 00 | Deposits, U. S. Treasurer | $ 50,000 00 |
| Due from app'd reserve agts | $156,148 68 | " from banks | 190,307 20 |
| Due from other Banks | $165,230 57 | " Individuals | 666,502 36–906,789 56 |
| Cash on hand | 65,178 27–386,542 16 | | |
| Total | $1,162,933 57 | Total | $1,162,933 57 |

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT:**

| | Dec. 1, '97. | Dec. 1, '98. |
|---|---|---|
| Total Deposits | $678,000 | $906,700 |
| Surplus and Net Profits | 78,100 | 89,500 |

Dividends paid—6 per cent. per annum.

Last Instalment of Capital paid in October, 1892. de 7 tf

**ATLANTIC COAST LINE**

**TRAINS.** DOUBLE DAILY SERVICE

TO ALL POINTS

**North, South and Southwest.**

**Schedule In Effect May 29, 1898.**

Train 41—Leaves Wilmington 3:20 P. M., leaves Lumberton 5:15 P. M., Pembroke 5:35 P. M., Maxton 6:12 P. M., Laurinburg 6:28 P. M., Hamlet 6:53 P. M., Wadesboro 8:11 P. M., Monroe 9:12 P. M., Charlotte 10:25 P. M. Connects at Monroe with train 41 for Atlanta, and at Hamlet with train 402 for Portsmouth, Richmond, Washington and points North.

Train 41—Leaves Portsmouth 9:20 A. M., leaves Weldon 11:50 A. M., Raleigh 3:40 P. M., Sanford 5:05 P. M., Hamlet 6:56 P. M., Athens 8:43 A. M., and Atlanta 5:30 A. M.

Train 402—Leaves Washington 4:40 P. M., Richmond 8:55 P. M., Portsmouth 8:45 P. M., leaves Weldon 11:28 P. M., Raleigh 2:16 A. M., Sanford 3:33 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Rockingham 5:53 A. M., Wadesboro 6:33 A. M., Monroe 6:43 A. M., Charlotte 7:50 A. M., Lincolnton 10:35 A. M., Shelby 11:37 A. M., Rutherfordton 12:50 noon, Athens 1:13 P. M., Atlanta 2:50 P. M.

Train 38—Leaves Atlanta 7:50 P. M., Athens 11:19 P. M., Monroe 6:05 A. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:10 A. M., Monroe 5:55 A. M., Wadesboro 7:01 A. M., Hamlet 8:00 A. M., Raleigh 11:35 A. M., Weldon 2:45 P. M.; arrive Portsmouth 5:20 P. M.

Train 35—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9.05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12.05 noon.

Train 402—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 M. Leaves Athens 3:18 P. M., Monroe 9:40 P. M. Leaves Rutherfordton 4:55 P. M., Arrives Shelby 5:55 P. M. Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:28 P. M., Monroe 9:40 P. M., Wadesboro 10:31 P. M., Rockingham 11:15 P. M., Hamlet 11:15 P. M., Sanford 1:02 A. M., Raleigh 2:16 A. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:35 A. M., Richmond 8:20 A. M., Washington 12:31 noon.

Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 6:50 A. M. Arrives Hamlet 7.40 A. M.

Train 17—Leaves Hamlet 8:40 A. M. Arrives Cheraw 10:00 A. M. Returning, leaves Cheraw 5:00 P. M. Arrives Hamlet 6:40 P. M.

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**Condensed Schedule.**

**In Effect November 20th, 1898.**

| NORTH BOUND. | No. 2 DAILY. |
|---|---|
| Leave Wilmington | 8 50 A. M. |
| Arrive Fayetteville | 12 00 M. |
| Leave Fayetteville | 12 20 P. M. |
| Leave Fayett-ville Junction | 12 38 " |
| Leave Sanford | 1 50 " |
| Leave Climax | 2 44 " |
| Arrive Greensboro | 4 15 " |
| Leave Greensboro | 4 25 " |
| Leave Stokesdale | 5 19 " |
| Leave Walnut Cove | 5 41 " |
| Leave Rural Hall | 6 13 " |
| Arrive Mt. Airy | 7 25 " |

| SOUTH BOUND. | No. 1 DAILY. |
|---|---|
| Leave Mt. Airy | 8 45 A. M |
| Leave Rural Hall | 10 09 " |
| Leave Walnut Cove | 10 36 " |
| Leave Stokesdale | 11 07 " |
| Arrive Greensboro | 11 55 " |
| Leave Greensboro | 12 13 P. M. |
| Leave Climax | 12 42 " |
| Leave Sanford | 2 30 " |
| Leave Fayetteville Junction | 3 49 " |
| Arrive Fayetteville | 3 52 " |
| Leave Fayetteville | 4 55 A. M. |
| Arrive Wilmington | 7 05 " |

| NORTH BOUND. | No. 4 DAILY. |
|---|---|
| Leave Bennettsville | 8 00 A. M. |
| Arrive Maxton | 9 03 " |
| Leave Maxton | 9 07 " |
| Leave Red Springs | 9 35 " |
| Leave Hope Mills | 10 30 " |
| Arrive Fayetteville | 10 40 " |

| SOUTH BOUND. | No. 3. DAILY. |
|---|---|
| Leave Fayetteville | 4 33 P. M. |
| Leave Hope Mills | 4 52 " |
| Leave Red Springs | 5 36 " |
| Arrive Maxton | 6 09 " |
| Leave Maxton | 6 15 " |
| Arrive Bennettsville | 7 15 " |

| NORTH BOUND. | No. 16 Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday. |
|---|---|
| Leave Ramseur | 6 40 A. M. |
| Leave Climax | 8 30 " |
| Arrive Greensboro | 9 17 " |
| Leave Greensboro | 9 55 " |
| Leave Stokesdale | 11 07 " |
| Arrive Madison | 11 55 " |

| SOUTH BOMND. | No. 15. Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday. |
|---|---|
| Leave Madison | 12 30 P. M. |
| Leave Stokesdale | 1 15 " |
| Arrive Greensboro | 3 30 " |
| Leave Greensboro | 3 00 " |
| Leave Climax | 3 50 " |
| Arrive Ramseur | 5 30 " |

CONNECTIONS

At Fayetteville with the Atlantic Coast Line, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk and Western Railway.

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## ATLANTIC COAST LINE

**Schedule In Effect Nov. 20, 1898.**

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.

DAILY 9.45 A. M. — No. 43—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.19 A. M., Warsaw 11.34 A. M., Goldsboro 12.30 A. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.58 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.29 P. M., Petersburg 5.21 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Norfolk 8.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.00 A. M., Philadelphia 3.53 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 7.15 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.49 P. M., Warsaw 9.03 P. M., Goldsboro 10.00 P. M., Wilson 10.48 P. M., †Tarboro 6.45 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.35 P. M. Weldon 12.59 A. M., †Norfolk 10.05 A. M., Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.25 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.23 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M., New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.55 P. M., Chadbourn 5.38 P. M., Marion 6 34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M., Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.19 A. M., Augusta 7.35 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M., Charleston 10.30 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M. Tampa 6.05 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.45 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.03 P. M., New York †9 00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M., Washington 4 30 A. M., Richmond 9 05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.00 P. M., Wilson 2.35 P. M., Goldsboro 3 16 P. M., Warsaw 4 07 P. M., Magnolia 4.30 P. M.

DAILY 9.30 A. M. — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 Light, New York 9.30 A. M., Philadelphia 12 00 P. M., Baltimore 2.25 P. M., Washington 3.46 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 8.18 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 9.43 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 8

# The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 16.


## SUBJECT OF MUCH COMMENT.

### The Suggestion of President McKinley That the Government Care For Confederate Cemeteries.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 15.—The suggestion of the President, looking to the care of the Confederate cemeteries by the Federal Government, aroused no little interest on the part of Senators and Representatives and was the subject of much quiet comment in the Congressional cloak rooms. There was, of course, a difference of opinion as to the merits of the suggestion and this divergence was especially noticeable among Republican Senators and members. Some of the Republican Senators expressed doubt of the wisdom of his course, and while many of these stated their personal conviction that there was no harm in carrying the suggestion into execution, still they refrained from any expression of opinion, on the ground that such expression would be misunderstood by their soldier constituents.

The Democratic Senators generally excused themselves from any expression of opinion on the subject. The suggestion was favorably commented on by members of the House of Representatives without respect to politics or sections.

## DRY GOODS MARKET.

### Another Advance in Print Cloths—Bleached and Brown Cottons in Demand.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—A further advance was made in print cloths, regular 28-inch 64 squares selling at 2 5.16 cents per yard, and there was no disposition on the part of sellers to recede. All descriptions of prints were very firm, with an upward tendency in prices and good demand coming forward. Ginghams are very firm, stocks light and demand taking care of current production. Bleached cottons were in general request and further advances are looked for. Standard and 3 yards brown sheetings and drills were strong; 4 yards brown sheetings moving up in prices. Fine yarn light weights were also against buyers. Business in cotton duck was at five per cent. advance. Cotton linings were strong in heavy grade goods. Men's wear woollens and worsteds were in fair request and dress goods in moderate demand at previous prices.

## SIX PERSONS KILLED.

### Passenger Train on the Florida Central Wrecked Near Madison, Fla.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., Dec. 15.—A passenger train on the Florida Central & Peninsula railroad was wrecked this afternoon near Madison, caused by a collision with cattle on the track, although the engineer made every effort to stop the train. were killed as follows: E. H. Chandler, engineer; Jesse Evans, colored, fireman; John T. Sullivan, of St. Augustine, attache to the army; Rev. S. H. Coleman, a colored preacher of Jacksonville; John A. Rhodes, of Pensacola, and Alfred Austin, of Chaires, both colored.

## HON. CALVIN S. BRICE.

### Died Yesterday at His Home in New York City of Pneumonia.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 15.—Former United States Senator Calvin S. Brice died at 3 15 o'clock to day, at his residence in this city, of pneumonia.

Calvin S. Brice was a native of Ohio and born in 1845. He was the son of a Presbyterian minister. Mr. Brice served six years in the U. S. Senate, being succeeded by Jos. B Foraker. Until the Democratic party adopted free silver as a cardinal principle, Mr. Brice was the leader of his party in Ohio, but after that he did not take an active part in politics.

## THE N. C. REGIMENT.

### A Private of Company I Shot and Killed by a Fellow-Soldier.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MACON, GA., December 15.—Private James Ellis, of Company I, Third North Carolina, shot and killed Wilbur Thomas, of the same company, this afternoon about 5 o'clock, while the regiment was holding dress parade, and then fled. He was soon captured, handcuffed, and is now safe in the guard house. He will be tried for his life by the general court-martial, which is now in session here. No other trouble prevails. The cause of the shooting was a financial affair.

## BY RIVER AND RAIL.

### Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—361 bales cotton, 22 casks spirits turpentine, 2 barrels rosin, 17 barrels tar.

W., C. & A. Railroad—1,088 bales cotton, 38 casks spirits turpentine, 239 barrels rosin, 235 barrels tar, 37 barrels crude turpentine.

Carolina Central Railroad—135 bales cotton, 9 barrels spirits turpentine, 130 barrels rosin, 76 barrels tar, 32 barrels crude turpentine.

C. F. & Y. V. Railroad—184 bales cotton, 15 casks spirits turpentine, 81 barrels rosin. 93 barrels tar.

Steamer Croesus—5 barrels rosin, 43 barrels tar.

Steamer Frank Sessoms—7 bales cotton, 1 casks spirits turpentine, 6 barrels rosin, 117 barrels tar.

Steamer Driver—1 bale cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 16 barrels rosin, 178 barrels tar.

McIntyre Flat—10 barrels tar, 15 barrels crude turpentine.

C. Larkins Flat—3 bales cotton, 2 barrels spirits turpentine, 75 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 1,784 bales; spirits turpentine, 91 casks, rosin, 474 barrels rosin, 844 barrels tar, 84 barrels crude turpentine.

The train bearing the President and party on their Southern tour left Atlanta at 1.30 this (Friday) morning for Tuskegee, Ala., where the President speaks to-day before the Normal School.


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# PROVIDING FOR ARMY AND NAVY.

### Debate in the Senate on the Urgent Deficiency Appropriations.

### THE BILL FINALLY PASSED.

### Opposition to Proposed Increase of the Regular Army—Pension Bill Passed The House Without Criticism. International Bank.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 15.—The Urgent Deficiency Appropriation bill, making provision for the army and navy for the next six months, displaced the Nicaragua Canal bill in the Senate to-day, preventing even the taking of a vote on the question of postponement until after the holidays, as had been intended.

The deficiency bill was passed after a spirited discussion, turning principally on the point of keeping the volunteer soldiers in the service.

Mr. Cockrell addressed the Senate in regard to the mustering out of the volunteer soldiers, calling attention to the provision in the deficiency bill bearing upon this point. He said that a large majority of the volunteers wanted to be mustered out and that many of them were making sacrifices by remaining in the service. On the other hand the officers who were finding the service more profitable than the privates, had in many cases refused to forward applications for discharge. Now that it was manifest that the war was over and there was nothing left for the soldiers to do but to perform police duty, he hoped that the department would be more lenient with the enlisted men.

#### Soldiers Want to Return Home.

Mr. Cockrell said very few soldiers would be required in Cuba and Porto Rico, or for that matter in the Philippines, where he said our footing was very insecure. "We have no war to make on the Philippines," he said, "and can make no attempt to subjugate them unless Congress first makes a declaration of war, which it is not likely to do. Until that is done there can be no effort to subjugate those people who are living in peace in their own country and there can, therefore, be no excuse for the United States maintaining a large standing army at those islands."

When Mr. Cockrell concluded the Senate took a recess until 3.30 P. M., in order to permit Senators to attend the funeral of Mrs. Bligh, wife of the sergeant-at-arms of the Senate.

After the recess Mr. Hale, replying to Mr. Cockrell, said he had no doubt that the rank and file of the army abroad had a great desire to return home, and he expressed the opinion that they should be allowed to do so. He argued that there was no menace of war unless it was with the Philipinos, and the only danger there was in our attacking them. It was true that the duty devolved upon the government of the United States of maintaining peace and quiet in Cuba for the present until the Cubans could establish a government of their own. He hoped this would not be long. In response to questions from Mr. Allen, Mr. Hale expressed the opinion that affairs would soon take such shape that the services of the volunteers could be dispensed with. He thought that the next six months 50,000 or 60,000 soldiers could be mustered out. But this was a matter which should be left largely to the administration. He understood it was the intention to keep about 20,000 men in the Philippines.

#### Gorman Opposes Expansion.

Mr. Gorman said he had advocated an amendment to the bill which would provide in explicit terms for the reduction of the army from 25,000 to 50,000 men by July 1st next, but owing to the representations of the army authorities he would reserve his amendment until the army bill should come before the Senate. In this connection he paid a high tribute to Adjutant General Corbin, and then proceeded to warn the country against the encroachments of the military element. Naturally the army officer wanted to preserve his own independence and maintain his employment, but this was no reason why the private citizen should not zealously guard his own rights. Mr. Gorman conceded that some increase of the army would be necessary, but he did not want to encourage the idea that we should keep a sufficient number of men under arms to hold in subjugation outlying countries with whose people we have no common ties. He thought coaling stations necessary for the extension of our trade, but announced himself as opposed to undue expansion by means of conquest.

Mr. Allison, Mr. Money and Mr. Sewell spoke on the subject, after which the bill was passed.

At the instance of Mr. Harris the Senate adopted a resolution calling upon the President for information as to the status of the report of the Nicaragua commission.

The Senate then went into executive session and at 5.08 P. M. adjourned until Monday.

#### Pension Bill Passed the House.

The House to-day surpassed all previous records in the expedition with which it passed the Pension Appropriation bill. The bill in days gone by has been one of the most fruitful themes of acrimonious partisan debate, but to day, though carrying $4,000,000 more than the act for the current year, it was passed in twenty minutes without a word of criticism. The bill carries $145,233,830.

Mr. Allen, Democrat, Mississippi, of the appropriation committee, called attention to the that fact when he first came to Congress fourteen years ago, the pension appropriation invariably precipitated a bloody shirt discussion. He congratulated the country that the Congress has progressed since then and that there would be no acrimonious discussion on this bill. The country at last had the gratifying information that the pension roll had reached the maximum. "And I congratulate the country for this," said Mr. Allen in conclusion, "that while one of the most gallant and desperate soldiers of the Confederacy (himself) helped to report this bill, the President of the United States is down in Dixie doing honor to the Confederate dead. We all have cause to rejoice." (Laughter and applause.)

#### International American Bank.

The House then entered upon the consideration of the bill to incorporate the International American Bank. This project was recommended by the Pan-American Congress in 1889. An arrangement was effected for a vote upon the passage of the bill at 3 o'clock tomorrow.

The conference report on the bill extending the marine inspection laws to sailing vessels of 700 tons and over and providing for the licensing of second and third mates was adopted.

The House, at five P. M., adjourned until to-morrow.

# THE GEORGIANS' PEACE JUBILEE.

### President McKinley Speaks in the Auditorium and At the Banquet.

### WAS HEARTILY APPLAUDED.

### Speeches by Wheeler, Hobson and Others. The Band Played "Dixie" and the "Star Spangled Banner"—A Slight Accident.

By Telegraph to the Mornin g Star.

ATLANTA, GA., December 15.—The second day of the Atlanta Peace Jubilee opened auspiciously. As on yesterday the crowds were enormous, excursion trains arriving at short intervals from all directions.

The feature of the day was the civic and military parade during the afternoon. The parade consisted of ten divisions under command of Grand Marshal A. J. West. Six thousand infantry, ten thousand school children, four hundred carriages containing 1,600 people, 1,000 members of secret orders, five hundred Confederate veterans under command of Gen. Joe Wheeler, one thousand laboring men, one hundred officers and marshals, twelve bands, one hundred Grand Army men, a squad of policemen, two hundred mounted police, members of the Young Men's Christian Association and Ministers' Evangelical Association, two hundred members of the Capital City and Fulton Clubs, the Atlanta Fire Department and representatives of five hundred civic organizations from all parts of the South took part in the parade.

The President and other distinguished guests in carriages were at the head of the pageant. They were escorted by the Third New Jersey and Fifteenth Pennsylvania, which came over from their winter camp at Athens for the occasion.

The President was compelled to bow almost continuously to the cheers which assailed his ears from the crowd along the route of march. A roar of welcome denoted the position of Gen. Joe Wheeler and his band of cavalrymen who followed him through the civil war, and the wizened leader was at times compelled to force his horse through throngs of would-be worshippers who blocked his path.

#### At the Auditorium.

ATLANTA, GA, December 15.—Seven thousand persons rose from their seats as the Chief Executive entered the auditorium. The band played the "Star Spangled Banner," amid considerable applause, but when the strains of "Dixie" filled the building the crowd went wild. President McKinley stood up, and waved his hat above his head. Mr. Hemphill, president of the Jubilee Committee, made a lengthy speech. He was followed by Gov. Candler in an address of welcome. As the President stepped foward, the large audience applauded heartily. The speech was punctuated by constant cheers, but there were no outbursts similar to that which marked the President's reference yesterday to the Confederate dead.

#### The President Said

"I cannot withhold from this people my profound thanks for their hearty reception and the good will which they have shown me everywhere and in every way since I have been their guest. I thank them for the opportunity which this occasion gives me of meeting and greeting them and for the pleasure it affords me to participate with them in honoring the army and the navy, to whose achievements we are indebted for one of the most brilliant chapters of American history.

"Other parts of the country have had their public thanksgivings and jubilees in honor of the historic events of the past year, but nowhere has there been greater rejoicing than among the people here, the gathered representatives of the South. I congratulate them upon their accurate observation of events, which enabled them to fix a date which ensured them the privilege of being the first to celebrate the signing of the treaty of peace by the American and Spanish commissioners. Under hostile fire on a foreign soil, fighting in a common cause, the memory of old disagreements has faded into history. From camp and campaign there comes the magic healing which has closed ancient wounds and effaced their scars. For this result every American patriot will forever rejoice. It is no small indemnity for the cost of war.

"This government has proved itself invincible in the recent war and out of it has come a nation which will remain indivisible forever more. No worthier conditions have been made in patriotism and in men than by the people of the Southern States. When at last the opportunity came they were eager to meet it and with promptness responded to the call of the country. Intrusted with the able leadership of men dear to them, who had marched with their fathers under another flag, now fighting under the old flag again, they have gloriously helped to defend its spotless folds and added new lustre to its shining stars. That flag has been planted in two hemispheres and there it remains, the symbol of liberty and law, of peace and progress. Who will withdraw from the people over whom it floats its protecting folds? Who will haul it down?

"The victory we celebrate is not that of a ruler, a president or a congress, but of the people. The army whose valor we admire and the navy whose achievements we applaud, were not assembled by draft or conscription, but from volunteer enlistment. The heroes came from civil as well as military life. Trained and untrained soldiers wrought our triumphs.

"The peace we have won is not a selfish truce of arms, but one whose conditions presage good to humanity. The domains secured under the treaty yet to be acted upon by the Senate, come to us not as the result of a crusade of conquest, but as the reward of temperate, faithful and fearless response to the call of conscience, which could not be disregarded by a liberty-loving and Christian people.

"The task is not fulfilled. Indeed it is only begun. The most serious work is still before us and every energy of heart and mind must be bent and the impulses of partisanship subordinated to its faithful execution. This is the time for earnest, not faint hearts.

"New occasions teach new duties. To this nation and every nation there comes formative periods in its life and history. New conditions can be met only by new methods. Meeting these conditions hopefully and facing them bravely and wisely is to be the mightiest test of American virtue and capacity. Without abandoning past limitations, traditions and principles, but by meeting present opportunities and obligations, we shall show ourselves worthy of the great trust which civilization has imposed upon us.

"At Bunker Hill, liberty was at stake; at Gettysburg, the union was the issue; before Manila and Santiago our armies fought not for gain or revenge, but for human rights. They contended for the freedom of the oppressed, for whose welfare the United States has never failed to lend a helping hand to establish and uphold, and, I believe, never will. The glories of the war cannot be dimmed, but the result will be incomplete and unworthy of us unless supplemented by civil victories—harder, possibly to win, in their way no less indispensable.

"We will have our difficulties and our embarrassments. They follow all victories and accompany all great responsibilities. They are inseperable from every great movement or reform. But American capacity has triumphed over all in the past. Doubts have in the end vanished, Apparent dangers have been averted or avoided, and our own history shows that progress has come so naturally and steadily on the heels of new and grave resposibilities that as we look back upon the acquisition of territory by our fathers we are filled with wonder that any doubt could have existed or any apprehension could have been felt of the wisdom of their action or their capacity to grapple with the then untried and mighty problems.

"The republic is to-day larger, stronger and better prepared than ever before for wise and profitable developments in new directions and along new lines. Even if the minds of some of our own people are still disturbed by perplexing and anxious doubts in which all of us have shared and still share, the genius of American civilization will, I believe, be found capable of subserving all of the great interests which will be confided to our keeping.

"Forever in the right, following the best impulses and clinging to high purposes, using properly and within right limits our power and opportunities, honorable reward must inevitably follow. The outcome cannot be in doubt.

"We could have avoided all the difficulties that lie across the pathway of the nation if a few months ago we had ignored the piteous appeals of the starving and oppressed inhabitants of Cuba. If we had blinded ourselves to the conditions so near our shores and turned a deaf ear to our suffering neighbors, the issue of territorial expansion in the Antilles and the East Indies would not have been raised. But could we have justified such a course? Is there any one who would now declare another to have been the better course? With less humanity and less courage on our part, the Spanish flag, instead of the stars and stripes, would still be floating at Cavite, at Ponce, and at Santiago, and a chance in the race of life would be wanting to millions of beings, who today call this nation noble, and who, I trust, will live to call it blessed.

"Thus far we have done our supreme duty. Shall we now, when the victory won in war is written in the treaty of peace and the civilized world applauds and waits in expectation, turn timidly away from the duties imposed upon the country by its own great deeds? And when the mists fade and we see with cleared vision, may we not go forth rejoicing in a strength which has been employed solely for humanity and always been tempered with justice and mercy, confident of our ability to meet the exigencies which await us, because confident that our course is one of duty and our cause that of right."

After three cheers for McKinley had been given with a will, at the conclusion of his speech, General Wheeler rose from his seat on the platform. Then came such enthusiasm, such pandemonium, as is seldom seen. For three minutes the audience cheered and yelled and waved their hats. Over and over again this little Southern general tried to begin his speech and over and over again he was compelled to wait for the cheers to stop. Then the band played "Dixie" and once more the crowd broke into frantic cheers.

General Wheeler eulogized the President, expressing his great pleasure at the reception given to Mr. McKinley by Georgia.

#### Hobson's Impassioned Speech.

Hobson responded to loud calls with an impassioned speech, in which he drew the attention of his hearers, not to the bravery of the American soldiers and sailors, but to the chivalry and bravery of the Spanish soldiers, especially of Admiral Cervera.

Gens. Shafter and Lawton scarcely more than bowed their acknowledgements to the plaudits and the meeting closed with a short speech from Gov. Johnston, of Alabama, in which he referred to his State's honor in possessing two such distinguished sons as Wheeler and Hobson

#### Accident to Shafter and Lawton.

The Presidential party then drove back to their hotel. On the way the carriage in which were Gens. Shafter and Lawton was run into by a street car and the two distinguished officers were thrown to the street. Neither was hurt and both were taken into a carriage secured by private secretary Cottelyou. A public reception at the Governor's mansion had to be postponed on account of the lateness of the auditorium affair.

#### The Banquet Last Night.

In the beautifully decorated dining room of the Kimball House to-night, the Atlanta peace jubilee, which brought to this city the President of the United States, several members of his cabinet and many distinguished figures of the war with Spain, and resulted in the utterances by the Executive which have cemented hard and fast the bonds between the North and South, was brought to a fitting close by an elaborate banquet. Covers were laid for three hundred. An elaborate menu was discussed, after which the speech-making began. Hon. Clark Howell introduced the President.

#### President McKinley's Speech.

The President as he arose was the recipient of a hearty and spontaneous greeting. The cordiality with which he has been received on all occasions during his visit, was nowhere more evident than at to-night's gathering. The Executive was compelled to stand and bow some minutes before those about the tables would permit him to proceed. He said in part.

"Four years have gone since I last met the people of Georgia in public assembly. Much has happened in the intervening time. The nation has been at war, not within its own shores, but war with a foreign power was waged not for revenge or aggrandizement, but for our oppressed neighbors, for their freedom and advancement. It was short but decisive. It recorded a succession of significant victories on land and sea. It gave new honors to American arms. It has brought new problems to the republic, whose solution will tax the genius of our people. United we will meet and solve them, with honor to ourselves and to the lasting benefit of all concerned. The war brought us together; its settlement will keep us together.

"Reunited! Glorious realization! It expresses the thought of my mind and the long deferred consummation of my heart's desire as I stand in this presence. It interprets the hearty demonstration here witnessed, and is the patriotic refrain of all sections and of all lovers of the republic.

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#### Gen. Young Discusses the Volunteers.

Gen. S. B. M. Young filled the place assigned to Gen. Chaffee. In reply to the toast, "The volunteer as viewed by a regular in command," he said, in part: "A call was made by our President for volunteers. Unfortunately—and, my friends, I speak advisedly—unfortunately we accepted and mustered into the United States service regiments and officers in their entirety from the State Guards. This was a mistake; but, as I said before, this pertains to a subject of which our worthy Secretary of War will read me from an official communication. In addition to these regiments accepted from the States, other regiments were organized, from material of which the best soldiers that the world ever saw were moulded. In looking at the volunteers and considering them as soldiers, the fact is lost sight of, that they have not received a professional education. We are too quick to condemn, we are slow to remember, that these patriotic men, taken from the very walks of life, cannot, within a week, a month, a year, less than a year, be educated to the point where these obligations to them are paramount.

"I dwell more particularly on the two volunteer regiments, Seventy-first New York and Second Massachusetts, for the reason that these two regiments were the two volunteer regiments and the only volunteer regiments, except the First volunteer cavalry, (Rough Riders) present with the regular forces that played any important part in the battle in and about Santiago. I have sincerely regretted that these two regiments were taken away from my brigade, and from under my command; not that they were placed under the command of General Lawton, who is a soldier worthy of the Napoleonic days, but that they were brought into action before they had attained that confidence in their company and regimental officers that is necessary to success in an engagement. Understand me distinctly, that I am not criticising the action of these regiments under fire. There is no better material in these United States than could be found in these two regiments, but they lack instruction, and the training necessary to succeed in the extreme hour of trial. With our limited force in that expedition it was necessary to call upon these regiments, but they were called upon too soon. They were not fitted for the work."

Congressman Evan Settle, of Kentucky, who spoke for Hon. Jos. W. Bailey and Richmond P. Hobson, were the last speakers.


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We have told you all about our Men's and Boys' Clothing in former advertisements, and will only add here that we can please you better in every way than any other store in town. If you want a Custom Made Suit give us a call.

**A. David & Co.,**
LEADING CLOTHIERS AND GENTS' FURNISHERS,
de 11 tf FRONT AND PRINCESS STREETS.

**GENERAL ASSORTMENT**

of Toys and Fancy Articles Suitable for

**CHRISTMAS GIFTS.**

Everything for Fancy Work, Zephyr, Saxony and Germantown Wool. Slipper Soles, Stamped Linen, Embroidery Silk, Ribbons, etc.

**Come and see us before you buy.**

Car fare paid on Purchases of $2.00 and upwards. Goods delivered promptly.

**J. H. Rehder & Co.,**
Bell 'Phone 118. Inter-State 'Phone 218. NEAR FOURTH STREET BRIDGE.
de 7 tf

**A MOST ACCEPTABLE X-MAS GIFT**

TO A MAN THAT IS CULTIVATED IN HIS TASTES, OR FASTIDIOUS IN HIS APPAREL, WOULD BE AN ORDER ON US FOR AN **X-MAS SUIT.**

WE CAN GIVE STYLE, FIT AND SATISFACTION SUCH AS YOU CANNOT BUY ELSEWHERE. SHOULD YOU WISH A SMOKING OR HOUSE JACKET FOR AN X-MAS GIFT, **WE CAN ORDER IT FOR YOU THIS WEEK.** OUR LINE OF X-MAS NECKWEAR WILL ARRIVE THIS WEEK. EVERYTHING THE NEWEST STYLES. IT IS ELEGANT. SEE IT BEFORE YOU BUY.

HOW ABOUT A FEW PAIRS OF SILK HALF HOSE FOR A GIFT? GLOVES, HANDKERCHIEFS, COLLARS, CUFFS, CANES, UMBRELLAS, UNDERWEAR, Etc., Etc.

**M. H. CURRAN,**
de 11 tf 107 Princess street.

**The C. W. Polvogt Co**

**SOME HINTS TO GIFT-GIVERS.**

The Holiday Stocks are at their height, all ready for your inspection. Gathered in a bigger, more intelligent way than ever before. And in gathering largely we gather well. Quantity is a great factor in the reasoning of prices Some of the Holiday lots were captured below prevailing valuations, and so we turn them over to you at a proportionate saving. If you would benefit by the bountiful stocks of giveable articles, come now. Unbroken assortments afford the choicest picking. Your selections will be held for Christmas week delivery if you wish.

**CLOAKS AND BLANKETS.**

**Does this weather make you think you need "New Blankets?"**

Now, a word about new Blankets as we show and sell them. Here pure wool means pure wool; part cotton is part cotton with us, and we even admit that we have some that are all cotton. But where's the advantage, you say. Full widths and lengths, the prettiest conceits in borders, the best value in fabric. From the lowest priced to the highest there's a range of values that gives every one ample choice and without the slightest danger of going wrong.

**If it's going to be a new Coat or Cape it might as well be a real Stylish one—from us.**

Most of the garments you find here can't be seen elsewhere in town, not that our friends (competitors) wouldn't like to have them, but we manage to fix things so they can't, and what does it give us? Exclusive, nobby things, the very cream of the choicest styles that New York shows this season, and it isn't necessary to pay a penny more than for styles not so pretty or attractive. Will you come to us?

**THE C. W. POLVOGT CO.**
Sole agents for W. B. Corsets and Standard Patterns. no 27 tf

**The Real Santa Claus,**

that can cater to the tastes of every one, is the Grocer who has the best assortment of good things for the Yuletide feast. You will find the highest grade Canned Table Delicacies, Relishes, Plum Puddings and other toothsome morsels galore in our choice stock. Fruits, Nuts, Raisins, and Candies you will find of the best, at prices that defy competition. Try us.

Respectfully,

**THE KING G